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## Election frenzy

### Candidates hope voters will bite

By Stacey J. Phillips  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

With only four days before the election, the presidential candidates are in a frenzy trying to sway undecided voters to their side.

Along with the candidates, the media is in a frenzy attempting to anticipate the winner prior to the election.

Presidential candidates, Republican vice-president George Bush and Democrat, Gov. Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts, have used the media extensively throughout their campaigns.

The media has been used to gain and maintain a substantial lead by Bush in the race for the presidency.

During a recent interview with Dukakis on *Nightline*, host Ted Koppel asked Dukakis if he thought that television had the tendency to dominate the campaign. Dukakis answered, "That could be the understatement of the year."

Every move made by Dukakis and



photo by Shellee J. Earles

Gage-Eckington Elementary students were guests at a Halloween party, hosted by Eton Towers residents.

### Youth spend Halloween at H.U.

By Claire Louis  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Approximately 50 Gage-Eckington Elementary students celebrated Halloween "Howard-style" this year.

150 local children were invited to a Halloween party hosted by the Slowe Hall Dorm Council. The party was a part of an effort to improve community relations, said James Durant, a Slowe Hall Graduate Assistant, and a second year law student.

The festivities, which began at 5 p.m. Halloween night, included a number of games and trick-or-treating. Once the children, who ranged from age two to 12, arrived they were divided into small units.

The units, each headed by a dorm resident, then trick-or-treated at doors bearing the telltale orange pumpkin—the secret sign use to identify those residents participating in the activity.

After the trick-or-treating was completed, the children were ushered to the Slowe Hall lounge to participate in games. Apple-on-a-string, in which the kids had to get a hanging apple using only their teeth, was by far the most popular of the games.

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photo by Shellee J. Earles

Dormitory residents presented the youth with a Halloween treat.

### Education reforms urged at lecture

By Melonie J. McCall  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Structural errors in society's present education system restrain children's learning potential, a famous Yale University psychiatrist said during the annual Charles H. Thompson Lecture Colloquium Series held Wednesday.

"If we don't make a difference with our children, our society as a whole will go down," said James P. Comer, a Maurice Faulk professor of child psychiatrist at the Yale Child Study Center.

The lecture was sponsored by Howard's School of Education in remembrance of Thompson, the first dean of the graduate school at Howard.

"We have a problem in education because we give inadequate attention to child development and its relationship to learning," Comer said.

According to Comer, our children are failing to receive the emotional bonding and attachment to parents needed to learn. "Emotional bonding and attachment to parents allows children to develop the skills needed to imitate adults which is a primary method of learning," said Comer.

"These skills must be developed before entering school in order for children to achieve academically," Comer said.

Comer is a graduate of the Howard University College of Medicine. He is famous for his successful efforts to raise the achievement levels of poor African-American children in Prince George's County, Md. and New Haven, Conn.

He attributes the inadequate child rearing methods responsible for the problems in education to the scientific and technological advances of

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### Student suspected of shooting himself

Bizarre story leaves D.C. police confused

By Victor Wright  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

District police, investigating the off-campus shooting of a Howard University student on Saturday, now suspect that the victim, Randolph Chadwick Jr., may have fired the gun himself, police said.

Chadwick, a senior business major from Philadelphia, was admitted to Howard University Hospital early Saturday morning after being shot in the head on the 1300 block of 15th Street, N.W., according to hospital spokeswoman Daisy Fitts.

He is currently listed in fair condition.

According to Detective Joseph Hanicak of the 3rd District Metropolitan Police Department, witnesses of the incident said that Chadwick was not shot by an assailant as he claimed; rather, the

bullet wound was self-inflicted.

Police first suspected that Chadwick was a victim of yet another act of random violence that has plagued Howard University students in recent weeks.

According to the statement Chadwick was able to give at the scene, he was shot in an altercation with an assailant who attempted to rob him.

Chadwick has refused to comment on the incident to the police and is not responding to inquiries made by the press.

The investigation remains open at this time and police officials have yet to draw a conclusion as to whether the shooting was accidental or an attempted suicide.

No charges have been filed against Chadwick, and Hanicak said that no motive for the shooting has been established.



photo by Keith O. Leadbetter

Elijah Karriem faces problems with metro and campus police.

### Vendor files suit against police following arrest

By Sharona Foreman  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Elijah Karriem, campus vendor for Howard University, has threatened to take legal action against the D.C. vending squad for what he alleges was a wrongful arrest that, according to Karriem, involved a Howard security officer.

Karriem, arrested at Howard's Oct. 22 Homecoming football game, was charged and arrested for having an oversized stand and storage on public space.

"They locked me up in front of thousands of people, as if I was a common criminal—a dope dealer. But, they will pay for their actions. I am taking legal recourse," he said.

"Vending is as much a business as Hecht's, Safeway, or Dart Drug. I am operating a business. This is not a joke," Karriem added.

According to Sgt. Glenn Gray, vending coordinator for the Metropolitan Police Department, the vendors in front of Cramton Auditorium were instructed before the game to relocate their stands because of the concern for public safety.

"Although Mr. Karriem was vending in an approved vending area, he was asked by members of the vending squad to move because of the overwhelming crowds. When Karriem refused to do so, he was arrested," Gray said.

"Any time an officer gives a legal order, providing it is not detrimen-

tal to a person, that person must comply, or risk being arrested," he said.

However, Karriem charges that Captain Samuel Singleton, field operations officer for Howard University, has a personal vendetta against him and that it was Singleton who requested to the vending police that the vendors be removed.

"Because of a personal vendetta and Captain Singleton's dislike for me, I was wrongfully arrested. When I was vending on Fourth Street, Singleton would harass me and try to intimidate me," Karriem said.

Singleton explained that he does not know anything about a personal vendetta.

"I did not request that Mr. Karriem be moved. It was requested by the university that the vendors be moved for safety purposes. As far as the personal vendetta goes, I don't even know the man's name," Singleton noted.

Karriem argued that the charges brought against him were a cover-up for the wrongful actions of the vending police.

"According to police general order, a person can not be arrested for a vending violation unless he has accumulated outstanding tickets. I know my rights because I stay in court with [the police]."

Officer Hardy, the arresting officer, could not be reached for comment.

## News Analysis

Bush has been tracked by every major newspaper, television and radio station. While the candidates compete for votes, the networks compete for ratings.

"This is the first time in recent presidential campaigning that we have had so many ads T.V. commercials and so much media attention," said sources in the Washington-based Republican Campaign Committee.

Campaign commercials geared to hurt the opposition have dominated both campaigns, instead of the standard commercial, which discusses a candidate's policies and personality.

In the last two months of campaigning, commercials from both candidates ran on the controversial prison issue. Bush's television spot accused Dukakis of letting out dangerous criminals in Massachusetts and endangering the lives of innocent people.

A similar advertisement ran from the Dukakis campaign, but neither one addressed the issue of how furloughs would be approved or disapproved by the federal government.

Estimates show that the candidates have used more than 50 percent of their advertisements to bash the opposing campaign and promote themselves.

It is expected that the candidates will go to almost any length in order to win votes, but the media is taking advantage of the campaigns to increase their ratings.

Many citizens, organizations and campaign workers, criticize the media's approach to covering the campaign. There appears to be too much emphasis on who is ahead in the polls, instead of the issues and policies that concern the constituency.

During an ABC talk show, Marvin Bush, son of GOP candidate George Bush, commented on the involvement of the media in the campaign of 1988. He added that turnout among younger voters could be high, if media coverage was taken less seriously.

Albert Maruggi, press secretary for the Washington based Democratic Campaign Committee, also noted the negative aspect of media campaign coverage.

"Horse race journalism is a negative side of the campaign. The daily tracking polls and who stays

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James P. Comer

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## Campus

# Max Robinson highlights 17th annual conference



photo by Paul Woodruff

Robinson's appearance proved to be the highlight of the awards banquet.

By Alonza Robertson  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Racial pride, integrity and the love of friends are the most important things in life, said the first African-American network news anchor during a short address at the Blackburn Center Saturday.

Max Robinson, former co-anchor of ABC World News Tonight,

offered these words during the closing banquet of the university's annual Communications Conference.

Robinson, who is suffering from cirrhosis, an irreversible liver disease, was escorted to the main ballroom in a wheelchair.

As he moved to the stage, the audience stood and began to clap loudly. The 48-year-old Chicagoan cried as he was helped to his feet and

approached the podium.

Though his body was thin, his hair looked gray and his skin almost ghostly pale, his voice reflecting his spirit, remained strong. "I feel so blessed," he said. "I realize how lucky I am to have so many people who care about me."

Speaking extemporaneously, Robinson acknowledged his disgust of how the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson has

been treated by the media and the public. "I am so tired of the treatment of Rev. Jackson (that) I could spit."

No one has done more for the Democratic party (than Jackson), he said. He urged blacks to exercise their right to vote in the general presidential election this coming

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## Jobs

By Kenneth Crumpton  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Communications students came to interview for jobs, internships and scholarships. And industry recruiters came to offer the same. But when the main event of the 17th annual Communications Conference was over, each group had mixed reactions about their results.

Juan Robinson, a representative from ABC News, was one of many recruiters that was disappointed with the number of students who attended.

"We expected to see a lot more students this year because they (Howard's School of Communications) moved the date of the conference up. (The event normally took place in February).

Most newspapers and television and radio stations make their final decisions for summer internships in January and because of the February job fair opportunities were slim.

"Students are usually fighting for internships," Robinson said. "Many of the recruiters prepared themselves for an increased number of

students."

There were some 40 companies there, including The New York Times, San Jose Mercury News and The Wall Street Journal. Some were so disgusted that they elected not to return for the scheduled second day of interviewing.

While job interviewers had problems with attendance, many students complained about the insufficient interview appointments. Appointments were easy to make, students said, but the short 15 minute

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### Correction

In the Oct. 14 issue, the article entitled "HUSA, NAACP wrap up voter drives" neglected to include the Political Science Honor Society and Pi Sigma Alpha, as other organizations who participated in the voter registration drive. Pi Sigma Alpha registered more than 200 students and university personnel. The Hilltop regrets the error.

## Officials address grievances during HUSA panel

By Cristal Baron  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

This is a reprint of a story which was printed incompletely last week. We regret any inconvenience that may have resulted.

Students aired their complaints about residence halls, parking, shuttle buses, security, registration, and tuition and housing fees to university officials at a grievance panel sponsored by the Howard University Student Association Monday night.

Approximately 20 students listened and talked to Dr. Carl Anderson,

vice-president of student affairs; William Keene, dean of special programs and residence life; and Rev. James Coleman, assistant to Keene, as they addressed each of the various complaints.

The biggest complaint that students had concerned the amount of on-campus housing or, as students argued, the lack of it. Keene addressed the problem in detail.

According to Keene, there are plans to add housing in three areas on campus. The Howard Plaza near McDonald's, located on Barry Place, scheduled to be completed in February, will house graduate, pro-

fessional, and married students. And if those students do not fill the 796 apartments, Keene said that housing for undergraduates will then be made available.

Architects have been contacted to begin plans for two other dormitories, said Keene. One dormitory, also near McDonald's, will house approximately 1,000 students. The other, the Bethune Quadrangle (surrounding Bethune Hall), will resemble the Tubman Quadrangle and it will house 600 students.

In the meantime, Anderson stated that President James Cheek's position concerning housing is that, if

students want to come to Howard even without housing, the school should not deny them that opportunity for an education.

Howard's physical plant was another issue brought up on the agenda set by Hebrew Ben Judah and Paris Lewis of the Progressive Student Movement (PSM).

Answering questions about the physical plant, Anderson stated that the plant system has been reviewed by a consulting firm and reconstruction on it will begin in early November.

Keene discussed the interaction of

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## In-school shops grant students retail know-how

By Danielle Wilson  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Although unique in name, Incredible Edibles, Hunger Pang and XS Ories Galore have only one thing in common, each is a retail establishment owned and operated by students in the School of Business.

Incredible Edibles, a snack food establishment, "is based on convenience," said Corliss Green, Incredible Edibles vice president of marketing.

"We are here for those students who only have time to snack in between classes," the senior marketing major added.

Hunger Pang specializes in luncheon foods. Its menu features spaghetti, chili and lasagna dishes

prepared by owners of the store. "We offer good food at good prices said Arvia McCown, a senior marketing major and chief executive officer of the store.

Meanwhile, XS Ories Galore offers items such as earrings, bracelets, brooches and hair ornaments.

"Our main target is students; however, many professors have purchased accessories from us," said freshman merchandising major Zina McGowan who is also the officer of productions and operations at XS Ories Galore.

A class project for students enrolled in retail management, Dr. Betty Watson, assistant professor of marketing, came up with the idea as

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photo by Jamal Harris

Business students get entrepreneurial training in stores within the school.

## Sophomore named to March of Dimes office

By Curtrise L. Garner  
Hilltop Staff Reporter



photo by Crystal Whaley

Stephanie Buckhanon

Stephanie Buckhanon, a sophomore in the School of Communications, has been elected as the March of Dimes Youth Representative, an office that she will hold until her graduation.

After being chosen from approximately 30 applicants, who were to fill only four positions, Buckhanon feels her being chosen is a privilege.

"It has a degree of importance, telling people about the March of Dimes," she said.

"In order to be a March of Dimes youth representative a student has to be in college, have a sound grade point average of at least 3.0 or better, have good speaking skills, good organizational skills, and responsibility," said Buckhanon.

Buckhanon ranked high in all of the qualifications.

The March of Dimes, a non-profit organization that raises money to help fight birth defects, was formed in 1938 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to help fight polio after he was stricken with the disease. The organization got its name because Roosevelt asked everyone to donate a dime.

Buckhanon, who is the only black on the 12 member council, wants to increase the number of minority applicants to the M.O.D. "I'd like to work on the minority aspect."

Teen pregnancy is another problem that involves many African-American and is one of the leading causes of the high infant mortality rate," she said.

One of the major M.O.D. tasks is the new Chain Reaction which

recruits high school students in the M.O.D.

Chain Reaction has three phases. The first phase is the Giant Twister Tournament. Twister is a game made by Milton Bradley, a national sponsor.

The second phase is the Winter Student Health Conference that will inform high school students with different seminars on subjects like drugs and teen pregnancy.

"We're not saying that the M.O.D. is condoning these things, we're just informing the students through seminars," Buckhanon stressed.

The third phase is "Walk America," a program which raises one-third of M.O.D.'s total annual fund. In the spring of 1990, the D.C.

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## Campus events

**Friday, Nov. 4 at 5 p.m.**The African Students Association will hold a meeting in the Blackburn Forum. The speaker for the meeting is Dr. Bhekokwakhe Langa of the English Department.

**Friday, Nov. 4 from 5:30-8 p.m.**The Fine Arts Student Council and Revolution Books will sponsor "The Struggle Towards Liberation", a panel discussion between Carl Dix, the Anti-Candidate for the Revolutionary

Communist Party and Minister Alim Muhammad, spokesman for

Carroll and Warrior of By Any Means Necessary. The moderator for the event will be Jesse Mac Dade Bey.

**Thursday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m.**The Graduate Student Council will present a lecture by Dr. Joseph A. Baldwin, chairman of the department of psychology at Florida A&M University. The

topic of the lecture is "The Intricacies of Cultural Oppression: Toward A Science of Psycholog-

ical Liberation". The lecture is a part of The Distinguished Lecture Series to be held in the East Ballroom of the Blackburn Center.

The cost for admission is \$5 for the general public and \$2 for Howard students. Tickets are available at the Cramton Auditorium Box Office.

**Monday, Nov. 14 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m.**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity will sponsor a Blood Donor Drive in the Ballroom of the Blackburn Center. Interested individuals may sign up for the drive Nov. 1-8 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on the ground floor of the Blackburn Center.

**Sunday, Nov. 20 at 3 p.m.**The Campus Pals will hold their third general body meeting in the Undergraduate Library lecture room.

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ahead should not be the front page story. The polls should not lead the news, especially without the issues."

Allowing the media to focus on the polls, instead of the issues, often discourages voters to support the underdog.

"When the polls show a discouraging amount of points from one candidate to another, many voters begin to feel as if their vote wouldn't count," said Democratic Black Caucus Committee Chairperson, C. DeLores Tucker.

Tucker, who spoke at an Oct. 31 political party choices forum at Howard University, added "...when the reality is that we need every registered voter out there voting. And, those who are not registered or can't vote should be encouraging those who can to get out there."

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Mystery gooey stuff, which invited the kids to "feel the eyeballs", or "feel the worms", actually grapes and spaghetti, and Whistle with Crackers, were two of the other games presented.

The party, which took about three weeks to plan, was supported by many campus offices. According to Slowe Hall dorm counselor Edith McRae, The Office of Residence Life approved the budget for candy, punch and potato chips.

Additional foods were donated by dorm residents, according to Melanie Dutton, a junior microbiology major and co-chairperson for the party.

Dutton said that the council chose Gage-Eckington Elementary School "because they're the ones we come in contact with everyday."

"We want to develop better relationships with the children in the neighborhood," she added. "We want to let them know that we like them."

In spite of the small turnout, the kids in attendance were enthusiastic.

"I'm here to have some fun," said nine-year-old Antoine Cooper.

Five-year-old Michael Wright agreed that he too had come "to have fun."

Residents' reactions to the party varied.

"It's [the party] a good idea because it promotes unity in the community," said Susan Perkins, a sophomore marketing major.

Steven Johnson, a junior accounting major disagreed. "I think it's o.k. for the little kids," he said, "but there's constant conflict between us and people in the neighborhood and it's not going to do anything."

Johnson added, "I think if we're going to do something, we should do something more meaningful than just passing out candy."

McRae said that the dorm council is now in the process of planning some additional projects with Slowe Hall and the Le Droit Park area.

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sessions often went overtime.

"When I got to my booth to be interviewed, there was a line that was five miles long," said junior journalism major Cereta Gibbs.

"I had other interviews to make and needless to say I was late for them also," she said.

"When students are late or they miss an interview we (recruiters) instinctively take the next person in line," said Wilma Toncavaich, a recruiter from Fox Television. "When the student with the pre-set time finally arrives they get upset because we take the next person in line," she said.

The problem of interviews was not great compared with the amount of students that arrived late without the proper registration materials. Many students arrived late to the conference demanding registration rights.

"The biggest problem we've had is students that did not pre-register or register on time but demand that we let them in the conference," said Johnson.

The students who were not registered were turned away at the door.

Dolph Williams, a senior from Dillard University said that the diversity of recruiters was a part of the job fair that he found to be most improved over last year's job fair. Recruiters from broadcast journalism to graduate schools were represented at the job fair.

"It is good to see such a diversity of areas of recruiters in the communication field. Most of the time you only get print," he said.



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## Editorials

### Election Day options

Tuesday's presidential election probably won't bring good news for African-Americans. Voters are asking two questions: Who is the best candidate for president and why isn't he or she running?

Each presidential campaign seems to get more and more trivial as the issues become more serious. Neither George Bush nor Mike Dukakis has shown themselves to be willing to honestly confront the troubling conditions that people in this country find themselves in.

In both parties, about half of those eligible to vote stay home from presidential elections and even less than that vote in off year congressional elections.

This dissatisfaction with both parties stems from their gluttonous fund raising and lack of attention to the issues.

Both the Republicans and the Democrats have become parties of big wealth and big corporations. Where does this leave us? The Dukakis campaign has raised millions of dollars from bankers, real estate moguls and defense contractors. How will he reward these people if elected?

What needs to be done is simply to open up the debate to different ideas and provide the blueprint for the betterment of our society into the future. Have either Bush or Dukakis served this purpose? We cannot continue to play blind faith, trust games with the Democrats because time after time our support for them results in no gains for our agenda.

Campaigns such as that of Dr. Lenora Fulani are critically important to our continued participation in the political process. It is ridiculous that she has been denied the same free access to the media that Bush and Dukakis have enjoyed and the result is that her platform has hardly been heard at all.

We can only imagine what might have come out of the "debates" if she had been included. While she is clearly on the far left of political opinion, she has made several keen observations about the nature of the American political system and therefore, the future of our country.

Common sense should steer most of us clear of the Bush lever next Tuesday. And Dukakis has paid no attention to the African-American agenda either. We need to vote only for a candidate who will push our agenda. Any other vote is wasted.

### In pursuit of happiness

Max Robinson's pathetic fall from television stardom offers a profound lesson in life, a lesson that he eloquently delivered in the keynote address of the Frederick Douglass Honor Society banquet Saturday.

Robinson, who is widely believed to be suffering from cirrhosis, a degenerative liver disease that has drastically altered his appearance, refuses to publicly discuss his ailment.

Nevertheless, it took a lot of courage for Robinson to speak before an audience of academics, fellow journalists and students who had known him as the robust Max of ABC World News Tonight.

Though he was brought to the Blackburn Center ballroom in a wheelchair and needed help to stand and make his way to the podium, he needed no assistance in delivering his short, inspiring message that brought tears to many eyes.

He talked of the Rev. Jesse Jackson's accomplishments and of the need for African-Americans to exercise their right to vote. But more importantly, it was his message of not selling out that seemed to reach more hearts. "Try to keep your integrity in spite of the intense desire for material things."

In a university setting, the pursuit of money becomes an obsessive priority. Obtaining a

Gucci, a Fendi, Mercedes or Jag is often thought to be the measuring stick of success, but Robinson said differently.

"The terrible thing about selling out is that afterwards, you have nothing left to sell; you become dispensable."

In the struggle for African-American advancement in this country, no one should be dispensable. But too often, selfishness spawns the "I've got mine, you get yours" mindset that runs deep.

"Money doesn't count. I once thought I was cute," he said, recalling when he was making a lot of money.

Money does not count. Money does not bring happiness.

"The love of friends and acquaintances is the most important thing in life."

All too late, adversity and turmoil force "caught-up" people to realize this simple fact. History has shown that family and friends are the social fabric of society. When the family has crumbled, the society has also fallen apart. This Afrocentric idea has been lost to many in the crowded race for financial gain.

There is no doubt, Max Robinson made thousands of dollars during his peak, but since his ordeal, he is wiser.

We should be even wiser and closely examine what he has to say.



### Letters to the editor

#### Unity, organization keys to success

Dear Editor,

This letter is addressed to all people who are concerned with the advancement of people's of African descent.

Those of us who study business learn that there is a management theory that asserts that no one can become a whole person except as a member of a group. Applying this logic to the struggle for freedom of African people, we can then say that no single individual could make as much of an impact on the struggle for freedom unless he or she is in an organization that is fighting for our people's freedom.

The importance of organization is a topic that is often overlooked by

people who profess to be fighting for our people's freedom. However, this is a topic that cannot be ignored if we as African people ever hope to be truly free.

Our time spent at Howard should serve as a training ground to prepare us to take the lead for the liberation struggle of African people as a whole. Therefore, we must realize now that the only way we can be victorious in our struggle is through unity and organization.

There are several organizations on Howard's campus and in the Washington community that can serve the purpose of moving towards liberation: the NAACP, the Progressive Student Movement, Black Nia FORCE, the All-African Peo-

ple's Revolutionary Party, and Black United Youth, to name a few.

However, one should be cautioned that when joining an organization, be wary of any one individual who wields so much power that he or she controls the thinking of the rest of the members of the organization and whose elimination would lead to the downfall of that organization.

We must realize that by joining an organization that is fighting for our people's freedom, we can begin to move towards true freedom, and there is no true freedom until all people are free!

Stewart Calloway,  
Black United Youth, Inc.

### Racism taints campaign

Prof. Joseph McCormick

It is already after 1 a.m. and here I sit before my monitor trying to think of something profound to say about the upcoming presidential election.

I took a look at something I wrote a little over a week ago and I now have changed my mind as new information recently came in on the very, very long-shot candidate I was considering (decide for yourself, see: The Guardian, October 19, 1988).

I continued putting off writing this piece in the hope that Michael Dukakis would show up more frequently in black communities around the nation and that the 12 to 14-point lead that Vice president Bush had over him would narrow. You see I'd really prefer to see Michael Dukakis in the White House in late January, 1989.

It's not that I'm crazy about the guy. In fact, I think until recently he has run a rather unsophisticated campaign. I realize that he has one of the larger states in the Union to govern, but why did the guy stay so close to home in the weeks right after the Democratic convention?

I mean, that was the time when he and Sen. Bentsen and the Rev. Jackson (yes, and Rev. Jackson) should have been out there campaigning in those states with the big electoral votes.

That didn't happen. No, instead in July, the GOP had its convention in New Orleans and its nominee managed to shed his so-called wimp image and take the offensive. As Bush's campaign manager Lee Atwater intimated, the task from that point forward was to drive up Dukakis' negatives and reduce the negatives of Mr. Bush.

It appears that this tactic, complete with all of the racism that goes along with it, for the moment has produc-

ed some positive results for Mr. Bush. That is, if one places any credence in polling data.

Toward the end of the week it appeared that the negative campaigning of Mr. Bush along with a more aggressive populist effort by Gov. Dukakis began to narrow the public opinion gap. I must confess however, that I continue to have my doubts about Dukakis's capacity to close the gap by November 8th.

Much of my doubt has to do with the fact Mr. Bush has portrayed himself to many Americans as the person who will bring us more of what Ronald Reagan promised: no taxes ("read my lips" he tells us), a strong defense (that may nonetheless cost a lot more), and good old strong family values.)

Two presidential elections have shown us that the majority of those who chose to vote preferred Reagan to the Democratic candidate. If Bush is walking and talking in the shadow of Reagan (with only a few more of negative campaign advertisements-Willie Horton are you listening?), doesn't it stand to reason that Bush, like his boss Reagan will also experience victory at the polls next Tuesday? It seems like that might be the case. Unless...

Unless black Americans and others who are deeply offended by the radically polarizing campaign of Vice president Bush decide to cast their ballot against Bush and hopefully for, the Democratic nominee.

Consider an item on the front page of last Sunday's Washington Post: "GOP Letter Angers Md. Democrats." The first three paragraphs of this article read: "Key Democratic leaders in Maryland...bitterly denounced a fund-raising letter from the Maryland Republican Party that included photographs of Democratic presidential nominee Michael S. Dukakis and rapist Willie Horton with a

headline, 'Is This Your Pro-Family Team for 1988?'"

According to the Post article, the said letter went on to say, "You, your spouse, your children, your parents and your friends can have the opportunity to receive a visit from someone like Willie Horton if Mike Dukakis becomes president."

Now in fairness to Mr. Bush, a spokesman for the Bush-Quayle campaign said in this same article that national campaign officials were not aware of the mailing. Similar denials were made by the Bush-Quayle campaign when such racist literature recently appeared in the mailboxes of California voters.

Yet we must not forget that Mr. Bush himself has repeatedly associated Gov. Dukakis with the prison furlough program that permitted Willie Horton to temporarily go free and commit a heinous crime-inspite of the fact that (a) Dukakis had nothing personally to do with Horton's release and (b) the program in question was set up by Dukakis' Republican predecessor.

A Bush-Quayle television commercial-done in black and white-that focuses on the issue of prisons, furloughs and crime, curiously enough slows down, and focuses in on what appears to be a black convict walking through a turnstile as the commercial comes to a close.

Let's keep in mind that Lee Atwater, Bush's campaign manager, has spoken in an almost braggadocious manner about driving up Dukakis' negatives. Certainly it appears that Atwater has taken a page out of the late Senator Bilbo's book on racist campaigning, with a modern dash of subliminal influencing.

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## Speakout

### Who are you voting for in Tuesday's presidential election?



I am voting for Michael Dukakis this coming Tuesday. The reason for my choice is that the programs suggested under the Dukakis platform are more in line with the concerns of the black community, i.e. health care, child care, pay equity for women.

Van Johnson, Jr.  
Finance/Insurance  
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I am voting for Michael Dukakis because I do not want George Bush in office. I know that Bush will be another Reagan and as black (Afro-American) people, we can not have another Reagan!

Gillian Pratt  
Microbiology  
Junior  
Hartford, CT



I am voting for the Dukakis/Benson ticket because although they may not reflect the views of the Afro-American community as a whole, they are more acceptable than Bush/Quayle.

Robert Turner, Jr.  
Marketing  
Senior  
New Orleans, LA



I don't feel that either of the candidates are qualified or have in mind the best interests of blacks in America. I feel that Dukakis has a lot more sanity than does Vice President Bush.

Robyn Simms  
Sophomore  
Marketing  
Ashville, NC



I am voting for Dukakis because our administration needs a change. Bush is just a twin of Reagan and our community, the black community, doesn't need a repeat of force against them.

Voruba Bryant  
Speech Language Pathology  
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The American public is faced with choosing the lesser of two evils. While neither candidate appears to be a great choice, Dukakis is at least concerned with the issues of civil rights and women's suffrage, whereas Bush would not consider these topics in this campaign. America does not need another Reagan administration. Dukakis for president!

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## Panel

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the physical plant with housing. He stated that \$500,000 had gone to the physical plant from the housing office for paint and roof repairs in the old dorms.

Keene also commented that the blinds for Sutton Plaza and Eton Towers are expected soon. Bethune and Meridian were on the list for new public address systems, and Eton, and especially Carver Hall, were being worked on for boiler problems. He estimated that \$61 million is needed to modernize the dorms, and said that the president and the Board of Trustees are in the process of securing funding for these changes.

According to Keene, the university is also searching for more student parking. He added that each of the new dormitories will be equipped with underground parking, but that the spaces will cost thousands of dollars per space to build.

Students originally disliked the Gold and Gray Line systems because the "isles were too narrow, the seat-backs were too high and there was only one exit," according to Keene.

He said that no matter what anyone else thinks, the new system with the Metrobuses is more suitable because it is built to travel shorter distances and because the double

The Office of Residence Life meets with the bus company bimonthly, said Coleman.

"Students are encouraged to express their likes and dislikes to the office, in addition to becoming involved in the meetings," he said. The next meeting, said Coleman, is scheduled for this week.

Ozie Stallworth, vice-chairman of the Campus Senate, wanted to know "why we don't have adequate security on campus." Keene responded that security patrols are in the area, but that university security can only go from one point to another rather than covering the whole area, and that they can only make a citizen's arrest.

All three panelists emphasized the need for students to protect themselves by not walking through dangerous areas, such as the playground shortcut near Slowe Hall, not cutting the wires of the alarm systems and emergency phones, and not propping side doors open to let people in or out.

In the area of registration, the university is working on a program that will allow students to register by touchtone telephone, but the computer program is complex and not near completion. The system the university has now, according to Anderson, is approaching its limits.

"At this point," he said, "it produces cumulative grade reports, which are not available at other universities. The next step is to create

a degree audit system, which shows what courses remain to be taken before graduation status is reached," he said.

Anderson went on to discuss the problems that students were having with Good Food Service.

He said students have often complained about not having a African-American contractor to cater cafeteria food, sparking the university to find a black-owned food service.

Concerning the money spent by students for housing and tuition, Anderson hoped that all financial aid would be processed in time for next semester and that any aid that is not processed in time will not prevent the students from registering, unless it is through their own negligence.

Keene stated that the raises in cost of housing has been well spent, since it has gone back into the housing system, instead of into the university system. The money is now being used to improve the dorms.

"The panel answered most of the questions. I liked it in the sense that the students handled themselves well, they didn't get out of hand. I think that the panel appreciated that," said Renetta Garrison, a junior electrical engineering major and grievance director of UGSA.

"I'm satisfied with the answers on the shuttle bus, but I'm still curious about housing," said Rolanda Warner who remained baffled because the panel inadequately answered her questions regarding housing.

ologies for his early exit but he needed to go to his hotel room to rest.

Afterwards, Dwight Ellis, vice president for minority and special services with the National Association of Broadcasters and master of ceremonies for the banquet called Robinson, "a man who shows us what true character and courage is."

The banquet, sponsored by the Frederick Douglass Honor Society also featured a singing performance by Mr. Howard 1988 - 1989 Thomas Pierre, an interpretive dance by Miss Howard University first runner-up Cristal Baron and a fiery oral interpretation by Toni Blackmon.

The School of Communications and Taylor also presented various other awards. The Annual Communications Award was presented to Jackson

Dr. William Starosta, an associate professor in the Department of Communication Arts and Sciences received the academic award and Joni Jones, a forensics professor and advisor to Howard's nationally-ranked debate and forensics team received the dean's service award.

academic scores improved," said Comer.

Comer also said "low income children can learn as well as anyone else if a school program emphasizes the parent-child relationship."

Some students who attended the lecture did not agree with Comer's method because they felt that it was incomplete.

"In my opinion, Comer is too willing to emulate the existing social structure. There is not enough emphasis on black achievement," said Anthony Thomas, electrical engineering senior.

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## Robinson

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Tuesday.

"I want black people to make it very clear that we did not fight (for voting rights) in vain," Robinson said.

Civil rights allowed black people other opportunities to become full-fledged members of the American dream, but Robinson warned young people to "try to keep your integrity," in spite of the intense desire for material things.

"The terrible thing about selling out, is that afterwards you have nothing left to sell; you become dispensable," he said.

"Try to keep your integrity. In the end, that's all you will have," Robinson said. Having plenty of money did not bring him happiness.

"Money doesn't count, I remember when I had a lot of it. I thought I was cute. The love of friends and acquaintances is the most important thing in life. You can't replace

friendship."

Robinson's fall from television stardom began with a heavy drinking problem. Working his way up from a small radio job to a local television news position, Robinson was became network television's first African-American full-time anchorman when ABC placed him along Frank Reynolds and Peter Jennings in its World News Tonight, multiple city format.

Robinson's stay there, from 1978 - 1983, was often a rocky one and he soon left to become news director for NBC's WMAQ affiliate in Chicago.

The degenerative liver disease Robinson has, often caused by chronic alcohol consumption, has progressively worsened. Cirrhosis causes other complications, like pneumonia and high blood pressure that can cause internal hemorrhaging.

After speaking, Dr. Orlando Taylor, dean of the School of Communications presented Robinson with an honorary degree from the school. Robinson accepted and made apol-

In an attempt to rectify the problems in today's educational system caused by the breakup of the family and community structures, Comer devised a method in which the relationships between children, parents, and teachers are strengthened.

This style of teaching was implemented in an urban, low-income predominantly African American schools. Before implementation of the Comer method the school was ranked 32nd of 33 schools in academic performance. After implementation of the program, the same school ranked third in performance.

"I developed a program to change the way teachers related to the students and improved the relationship between parents and teachers. Eventually students responded and

select vendors, maintain its own financial records and grow a minimum of \$1000 per semester. Also at the end of each business week, the stores must submit income statements, group evaluations and self progress reports to the professor.

"This is not a high school fundraiser," emphasized Watson. "I am trying to push the business way of doing things, so I require the stores to operate in a profitable, yet professional manner."

McGowan stressed that although the operation of the store can be very time consuming, the experience will be an asset to her in the future.

"I one day plan to own my own clothing boutique, so this hands-on experience will be extremely beneficial to me," she said.

The stores are located in the basement of the School of Business. "Support your colleagues," stressed Green.

Buckhanon wants Howard students to get involved in the organization along with the high school students. "I'd like to hold a health conference on the Howard campus and maybe a Twister Tournament, and take away from the image of Howard being stuck up and not concerned with the community," she said.

Buckhanon is enjoying her role as youth representative and wants to get the M.O.D. message across to the young D.C. community as well as the university's community.

"I realize how important it is to give back to the community. It all boils down to helping others," she added.

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the 1940's.

"Since 1945, the country has become one of large metropolitan areas in which many live 45 minutes from the work place. As a result, children see less and less of their parents," said Comer.

Comer says African-Americans also have greater difficulty adjusting to the changes in society because of social discontinuity.

"Because of slavery and racism blacks suffered a loss of culture and a sense of personal belonging and as a result have been excluded from the mainstream," said Comer.

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a means for students to gain entrepreneurial experience.

"The project provides the opportunity for the reality testing of concepts taught in this course," said Watson.

Initial investments to start business operations are made by the students, themselves.

"Each member of our group purchased \$20 worth of stock to get our business off its feet," said McGowan. Monies generated from the store profits will be divided amongst students at the end of the semester, said McGowan.

Along with designing a price strategy, each store is required to

## Buckhanon

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chapter will sponsor the problem in the city.

"I'd like to see Howard students walk and help raise money," said Buckhanon.

The money that the M.O.D. raises is sent for research to places like the Jonas Salk Institute in California and college hospitals where there is a M.O.D. Grantee, a researcher or team of researchers who are funded by the M.O.D.

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## Apartheid unchanged despite black vote

Boycott successful, resistance still strong

By Yvonne P. Brooks  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Despite last week's boycotted elections in South Africa, two major factors remain unchanged—the political and economic exploitation of the African majority and their continued refusal to accept white minority rule. The Weekly Mail, a newspaper critical of the apartheid government, was shut down Wednesday morning. Twenty-two anti-apartheid organizations remain banned and more than 1300 activists are still jailed.

### Election boycott

It was not apathy that kept Africans away from the voting booths in last week's blacks-only local elections in which only 50 percent of the municipal seats were contested.

Of the 26 million Africans in the country the government considered only 2.4 million eligible voters, and of those more than 75 percent did not cast ballots—many in support of a nationwide boycott of the elections.

"Because people have adopted the principal of non-collaboration with the structures of the racist regime, it was easy to persuade people to stay away from the polls," said Lesaona Makhanda, chief United Nations representative of the outlawed Pan-Africanist Congress.

"The African National Congress never recognized the elections. People were not allowed to fairly participate," said a New York-based representative of the banned ANC who refers to himself as Neo.

### No change in apartheid

The elections are seen by apartheid foes as a failed attempt by the government to show that it is flexible and genuinely seeking to democratize.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu described the elections as an attempt by the Botha regime to put "a fresh coat of paint on apartheid."

"Nothing about the apartheid

system has changed," Neo said. Activists say that the African majority has consistently rejected local black governing structures run by politicians "hand-picked" by the regime.

In addition, they feel that the gains made by the Conservative party—although reflective of internal splits within the ruling class—will have little impact on the lives of blacks.

"White rule is white rule," said Damu Smith, executive director of the Washington on Africa.

"The people of South Africa are fighting to live freely in a society and benefit economically from the resources of the country through one man, one vote."

Apartheid is an extreme form of a racist-capitalist state. It forces segregation based on race and denies of political rights to Africans and those of mixed races. Non-white labor is exploited through substantially lower wages and grossly unequal distribution of the country's wealth.

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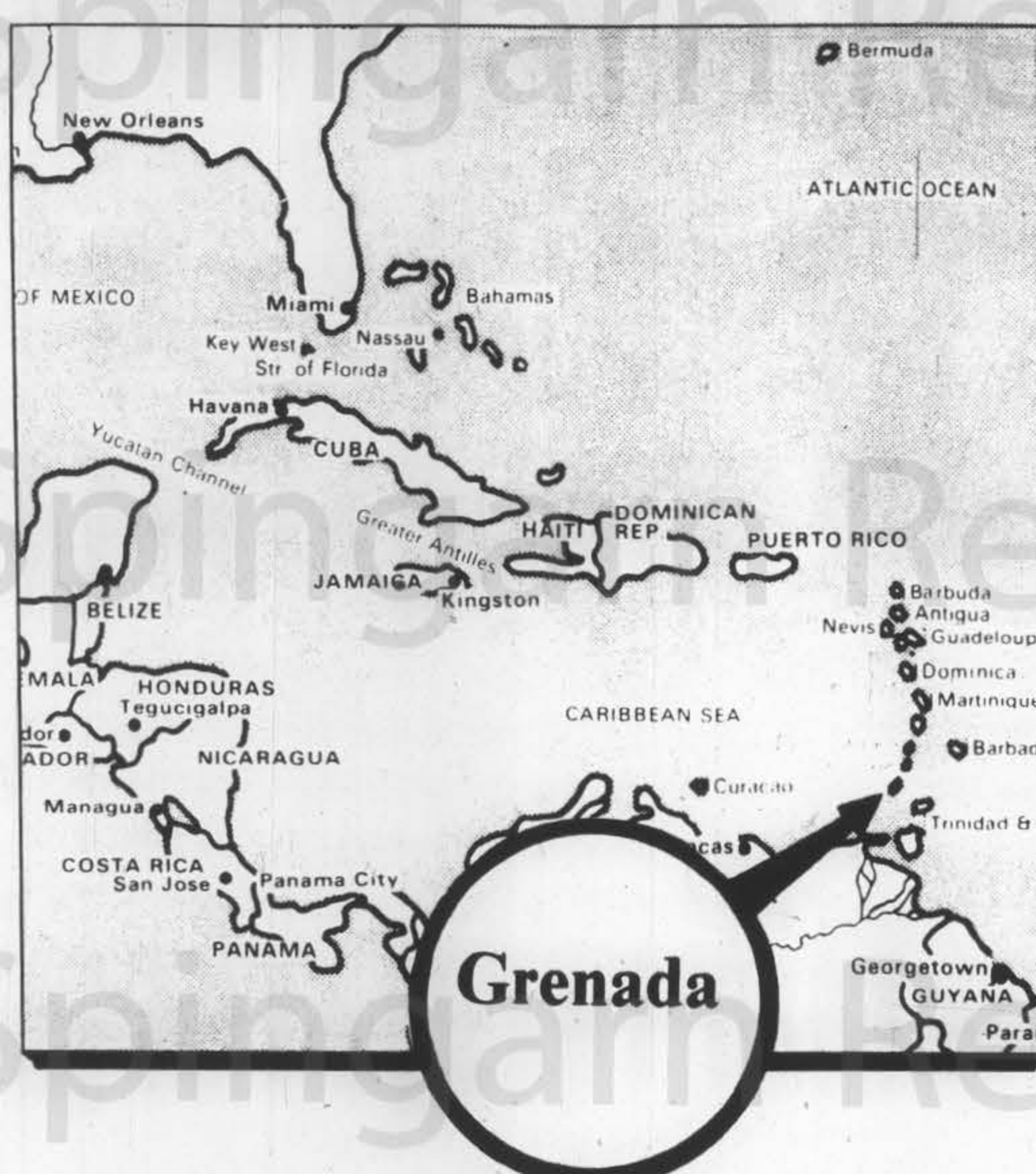
### Armed struggle, economic sanctions

"Liberation will not come through peaceful negotiations," Makhanda said. "The South African government has long ago refused to empower the black masses. We are engaged in a serious and protracted armed struggle."

Although the degree may be disputed, there is consensus among apartheid foes that sanctions will weaken the South African government's economic stranglehold within the country and in the region.

"If sanctions are put in place, the system will collapse much faster and possibly with less bloodshed," Makhanda said.

According to Adwoa Dunn, staff consultant to the House of Representatives Subcommittee on Africa,



sanctions legislation which passed the House this year, will be reintroduced next session along with a similar Senate version.

"If Bush is elected, it will be more difficult to push for sanctions," said Dunn, who added that presidential candidate Michael Dukakis is on record in support of the Dellums-Cranston bill.

"The struggle against apartheid must be viewed in a regional context," Smith said.

"The South African government uses its control of region's transportation routes and its economic and military might to prevent frontline states from supporting the anti-apartheid movement and the Namibian struggle for independence."

Namibia's 1.5 million people still live under classical colonial rule. The South African government has defied a 10-year-old U.N. resolution calling for U.N. supervised elections and the withdrawal of South African military troops.

In addition, the apartheid regime backs anti-government guerillas fighting against the government of Angola, and it continues to provide

economic support to the Mozambican National Resistance (commonly known as RENAMO), an anti-government rebel group responsible for the deaths of more than 100,000 Mozambicans last year, according to State Department figures.

### Anti-apartheid

"Over the past few years in the United States we have seen a decline in anti-apartheid activism," Smith said.

Activists agree that South African government press restrictions and the choice of American newspapers to deemphasize apartheid have influenced the degree in which people view the struggle.

"No longer do we see the brutality of the South African government on television. Out of sight means out of mind for most Americans."

"Black people can not afford that kind of mindset," Smith added, pointing out that a Howard University professor, Luis Serapiao, is a representative of the South African backed RENAMO. "We have to keep the flame of resistance alive."

## Fear brings S. Africa to open election

By Corey A. Ealons  
Hilltop staff reporter

In South Africa, multi-racial segregated elections were held last week.

Each of the four major racial groups, as defined by apartheid law—blacks, whites, Asians and mixed races, held elections in each of the segregated townships.

This makes the second time in South Africa's history, that blacks have been able to participate in the electoral process. The first time was in 1983.

Black voter turnout was low. Less than 500,000 or about 20 percent of the country's 2.4 million registered black voters participated. South Africa's total black population is around 26,000,000. There were no candidates for 138 black township council seats.

The United Nations General Assembly condemned the elections as an "insidious maneuver by the racist minority regime," according to Associated Press reports. The General Assembly condemned the elections by a vote of 146 to zero. The United States and Great Britain abstained from that vote.

The elections were in accord with President P.W. Botha's and the Central Government's policy of moderating apartheid, who said it was their way of slowly introducing Blacks into the role of leadership in South Africa.

According to Stoffel Van Der Merwe, South Africa's Minister of Information, the fact that everyone voted on the same day is an important step in that direction.

In spite of the state of emergency, a boycott of the elections was called by the African National Congress, Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Reverend Alan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches.

In an interview with Ted Koppel of ABC News, Rev. Boesak said that the elections were held, "To show the world this is a broadening of democracy." He sarcastically suggested that blacks should support the

extreme right-wing Conservative Party because then the true goals of government would be apparent. "These elections are useless," Boesak said.

The elections were boycotted by anti-apartheid groups because all the "races" of South Africa are represented in Parliament except black people. The groups said that participation in the elections would be a show of consent to the rules of apartheid and the central government.

According to Kevin Brennan of the South African Embassy in Washington, the African National Congress stepped up violence immediately prior to the elections.

There were forty-five reported bomb attacks in September and several candidates received death threats, stated Brennan.

Several weeks ago, two black people were killed and forty-five others injured when a shopping center near Witbank was bombed. According to the Washington Post, more than 1,300 anti-apartheid activists were jailed prior to the elections.

In order to combat the efforts of anti-apartheid groups, the government spent more than \$2 million in advertising, encouraging black people to vote.

Rewards of up to \$2,000 were offered for any information leading to the capture of ANC members or members of related organizations.

Polls were opened thirteen days before the election day of October 26, allegedly in order to give blacks and others every opportunity to vote.

Analysts say the South African Central Government is caught in a "catch twenty-two." It does not want to be seen as weak by the Conservative Party, which is in favor of the racist, apartheid rules, when it allows blacks a role in voting. However, it also does not want to appear racist to the world, by not allowing the black majority a voice in government.

Brennan said that a poor turnout by blacks is an incentive to the anti-apartheid groups and the Conservative Party to continue extremist policies.

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From left, Ike S. Ndolo, Olaniyi Areke, Melbourne Cummings and Norma Goodlett-Bowen.

## African diaspora relations suffer lack of cultural understanding

By Donovan Marks  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

As part of the Howard University's annual Communications Conference, a three-member panel met Saturday morning to discuss "Communication Among Peoples of the African Diaspora."

Prof. Ike S. Ndolo presented the African perspective, while Profs. Melbourne Cummings and Norma Goodlett-Bowen related African-American and Caribbean points of view respectively. All three panelists were from the Department of Communication Arts and Sciences.

The session opened with the showing of the Emmy Award-winning film, "Descendants" which traced the lack of communication among the three groups, and showed several students, area residents and community leaders voicing their views of the reasons and remedies for the problem. Descendants producer, Olaniyi Areke, was also on hand.

The film illustrated the economic manipulation of Africans by non-African groups as a possible cause for division.

In the film, Leo Edwards, chairman of government relations for the Council of Caribbean Organizations, said that there were times while he was a student, when Caribbean students, who at the time held British passports, were admitted to certain public places which did not admit African-Americans. This, he said, "caused tension."

Ndolo, the first speaker on the panel, said that before leaving Africa, he had heard positive things about America; however, upon arrival he was disenchanted.

"We (Africans) were told we talk funny, we smell and the food we eat looks and tastes weird."

It was this kind of attitude, Ndolo said, that caused most of the tension between Africans and Afro-Americans.

Ndolo also referred to the negative stereotypes of Africa in the American media, such as Little Black Sambo and Tarzan. "Europeans have set the base for us to misunderstand each other," he said.

Goodlett-Bowen said that in her case, some of the African-Americans would either ask subtly, "Why did you leave your beautiful home and

when are you going back," or be more explicit by accusing the Caribbean students of taking over.

She added, however, that some Caribbean students need to become more acquainted with African-American history. She made a brief comparison between slavery in the United States and slavery in the Caribbean.

Goodlett-Bowen outlined three basic conditions for separation and described the nature of the typical Caribbean student who subscribes to each condition.

She said there is "individual mobility," in which a person abandons his own culture and becomes "Americanized" and "social creativity," in which a person establishes his boundary and takes a definite position of shutting out others.

She also cited "social competition," in which a person is ethnocentric and thinks very negatively of the other groups.

Goodlett-Bowen said that primarily, "Those of us from Africa and the Caribbean have never suffered the indignation of living in a country where we did not represent the majority of the population."







# Etcetera

## Sanchez speaks on literature, life



Sonia Sanchez, noted activist and poet, chats with students in Blackburn.

By Crista Baron  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Just as she promised in September, Sonia Sanchez returned to Howard University on Saturday, stirring the social consciousness of students on many issues.

She deviated from her original topic, in order to entertain the concerns of the students attending, inspiring them to begin some action to complement their words.

The intended topic of the discussion, which was organized by the Alpha Sweethearts and Aissia Richardson, a senior psychology major, was to be the novel, "Blake or the Huts of America," by Martin Delaney, but most of the students had not read the book.

Sanchez, a poet, author, and teacher, was born in 1935 in Birmingham, Al. and received her educa-

tion at New York University and Hunter College in New York.

She has taught at San Francisco State College and the University of Massachusetts, and is presently teaching at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa.

Sanchez has lectured at more than 500 colleges across the United States, reading her poetry, discussing African-American literature and addressing issues in the community.

Sanchez gave a brief summary of the book, encouraging students to read the book for future discussion. She discussed the significance of the hero being of purely African descent, considering that most of the African-American heroes of the time were mulatto.

After the brief discussion of the book, the topic changed drastically. Students asked questions which led to many different topics, which she said

deserved more than a brief discussion simply because of their complexity. She did, however, address each question briefly.

In order to provide background for the discussion, Sanchez outlined "Making of the Negro." This systematic plan was composed of the following elements: alienation from Africa, neutralization of cultural and language, the endocrinization of fear and mental castration.

Areas of discussion included unity for the race and the divisive factors that work against this unity, such as drugs and poor relations within communities, much like the situation facing the community surrounding and including Howard.

One other divisive factor, male/female relationships, was a major topic of discussion.

"We were not idealized the way white women were idealized in America," she said, adding that black women were treated as the equals of black men during slavery, giving them no sense of identity as women.

In discussing "Their Eyes Are Watching God" by Zora Neal Hurston, a novel which many had read, she offered a different perspective of the love story as a story about death.

In reflecting, the students found this to be an enlightening, unusual and much deeper translation.

"I don't want you to be romantic about love. It gets you in trouble," she said, referring more to the situation of male/female relationships than to the book itself.

She said, "Black men had to look at black women being abused and couldn't do anything about it," leaving a substantial effect on both.

Her topic of discussion when she returns on Nov. 19 will be on these relationships. She says that there are many areas to cover on the topic, such as the effect of slavery, homosexuality, sexism and capitalism on relationships in the African-American community.

Lisa Richardson, a senior majoring in psychology, said that in reference to discussion of the various topics, Sanchez "wants us to do so in a literary context. She wants us to do reading." Richardson added, "[She] could be a unifying person for us."

Sanchez listed several books which she would like students to start reading in preparation for future discussions, such as "Race, Women and Class" by Angela Davis; "Sister Outside" by Audrey Lord; and "Black-Eyed Susans" by Mary Helen Washington, in addition to the two mentioned previously.

Richardson, one of the co-ordinators of the program, wants to work with students in between Sanchez's visits to "put things out to her."

Richardson said that the people who were there are "Very conscious about what's going on nationally and they should share that knowledge with others."

She now has the telephone numbers of those interested in participating, and she plans to contact them after the November discussion.

April Silver, president of the Alpha Sweethearts, said that students are "really, really hyped about her," and she expects more students to show up at the next discussion.

She said that Sanchez is so willing to come and talk with us that she is interested in having her here as often as she is able to come.

Sanchez challenged students to deal with their responsibility. "You didn't have to fight so you may not be able to understand the struggle."

"Everything was in place. You said, 'Thank you,' and took it. What did you give back? where is the responsibility?" Sanchez said.

"You've got to reach out and deal with resistance. It's real."

"Education goes beyond intellectual curiosity, each individual must begin to study, to read, and start dialogue about where we are headed in the 21st century."

T. Nieta Wigginton contributed to this story.

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## Counseling Service helps students survive stress

By Beth Casey  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Making the adjustment to a predominately African-American college campus as well as to the city of Washington is tough for many students.

The transition is one of the biggest problems facing more than 500 students that visit the Howard University Resource Center each year, according to Dr. Thomas Wessel, associate director for Counseling Services.

The step from adolescence to adulthood is a transitional phase in life that brings about a great deal of stress, Wessel said.

"Students come to Howard with all sorts of expectations" and when they don't materialize a student can become extremely disappointed and highly stressed among other things Wessel said.

Stress comes in two forms according to Crisis Health professor, Denyce Ford. It can either be anxiety brought on by negative events or situations called distress or the anxiety or tension brought on by positive situations called eustress.

Regardless of its source, Ford says the body responds to stress the same way. Some common physical characteristics are changes in the heart rate and blood pressure, fainting and sweating. Distress can even cause heart disease or a stroke.

Ford says people can experience

stress for a short period of time or for a longer, less noticeable time.

Insidious stress is long term stress and often results in burnout or the inability to cope adequately with the stress of work or personal life situations.

Common symptoms of burnout are feelings of cynicism or a pessimistic outlook on life, anger, resentment and a poor social performance at home or work. Ford says it is important for individuals to learn to prevent stress.

In her classes she urges students to recognize the warning signs of stress.

Ford suggests several steps which can aid in preventing stress. First, a person must take time to figure out what situations make them feel angry and uncomfortable.

A person must also think about the changes in their life and realize that a certain amount of stress comes with every change in life.

Turning to alcohol or other drugs as an outlet will only worsen the problem. According to Ford, exercise is one of the best ways to work off tension.

It is important to take a break everyday, as well as ignore the clock sometimes, she said. It is also important to learn relaxation techniques.

The last step in stress prevention involves other people. Ford says people should ask others for help when they need it. She encourages students to seek help from Counseling Services at 636-6870.



Howard's Elbert L. Cox and portrait of his father, Elbert F. Cox.

## Howard promotes legacy

By Andrea Morehead  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Although Elbert F. Cox's accomplishments go almost unnoticed, he broke many barriers for African-Americans.

Cox graduated from University of Indiana in 1917 with a mathematics degree. In 1925, he was awarded the Ph.D. degree in mathematics from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York.

Thereafter, he accepted a position as chairman of the mathematics and physics department at West Virginia State College.

His son, Elbert L. Cox, associate dean of the Howard University School of Engineering, said his father's advice was, "Be aware of obstacles, but don't let them stand in

your way. Rather, use your talents and have faith and belief in yourself that you can achieve."

The elder Cox became a part of the Howard University community because of an intention to educate

fellow African-Americans. He came to Howard in the fall of 1929.

Serving in various teaching positions, he later became chairman in the mathematics department in 1947. He served as chairman until 1961.

After relinquishing that position at age 65, he remained on faculty at Howard for five more years as a full professor in the department of mathematics, retiring in 1966.

Cox died in 1969 after a short illness, but his collegiate dedication and services lingers on.

He is credited with producing the grading formula that completely changed the system of grading within Howard's College of Liberal Arts in 1947.

Cox is also praised for directing students who worked under him for the masters degree program in mathematics.

In 1965, more of his students had received master's degrees than under any other professor at Howard.

"I am proud of my father. I hold him up in great esteem," Dean Cox said.

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## Ask Ardent's advice

### Relationship nears end of rope

Dear Ardent,

I'm seeing this guy that I've had a crush on for a year. Everything was fine until last night when I detected that he didn't take our relationship as seriously as I do.

He claims he doesn't want a girlfriend per se. However, he wants to keep seeing me on a romantically involved level. Should I push for more of a commitment or continue being his...

Dope On A Rope

Dear Rope

It sounds to me like your guy wants to have his cake and eat it too. Slow down or you'll eventually wind up being used. Remember the old saying: Why buy the cow if the milk is free?

Dear Ardent,

I have a time management problem. The little free time I have between school and work I use for sleep from pure exhaustion. I need to find more time to do homework, spend with friends and participate in some

extracurricular activities to make my college experience more than just going to class and work.

Do you have any advice? I've considered quitting the job but I need the money to pay for school expenses.

What To Do

Dear What To Do

You should probably hang in there for now since the semester is ending in a few weeks. Plan for next semester. Take out a school loan, get a scholarship if your grades permit, find a job that pays more for less hours worked, rid yourself of unnecessary expenses, breakdown and ask relatives for financial help.

Employing all or some of these actions will give you the time that you desperately need in order to prevent you from becoming stressed out.

Got a Problem? Need Advice? Write:

Dear Ardent  
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"Clara's Heart" Fr 7:30, 9:35  
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## Teams merit support

Congratulations! Yes congratulations are in order for this year's football and soccer teams, but with this must come the support of the Howard student - which on more than one occasion this season, has been questionable.

This year's football team has struggled at times but have still managed to put themselves in a position where they have a winning record and are tied for first place in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference.

It would have been easy for the Bison to give up after either of their losses this year, but they kept the faith and were rewarded. On the other hand when things did not look so good I often heard these colorful phrases rising from the yard: "Yeah, I knew they would choke, they aint blank.", "Them boys aint got no heart, they let a bunch of white boys beat 'em."

It really makes me sick to see and hear those same people after a game that the football team won. "Those boys are bad, there's no stopping us now." Please! give me a break.

It's easy enough to jump on the bandwagon when the team is winning, but the real definition of a fan is someone who supports their team when they are down. How helpful is it to call someone your boy when they are on top?

The game this weekend against Florida A&M will give the Bison first place in the MEAC if they win, or in all probability put them out of contention altogether. If they win be proud and let them know it, if they loose still let them know that your proud of the work they have done.

This season the Booter soccer team is undefeated, they are one of only three unbeaten teams in the nation. They are ranked among the top ten teams in the nation - How many people go to their home games?

I know some are going to say that they do not go to the games because it's not an American sport. Wake up! you are here at Howard to broaden your horizons. Soccer is the largest spectator sport in the world. It's by far the worlds most popular sporting event.

Would it hurt too much to take one afternoon off and go see the last game of the season for what might be our schools greatest soccer team? Who knows, lord forbid you may like what you see.

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## Booters defeat Georgetown, look to NCAA playoffs

By Jason Johnson  
and Donovan Marks  
Hilltop Staff Reporters

Despite a muddy field and a much improved Georgetown team, the Howard Booters managed to come away with a hard fought 2-0 victory last Tuesday at the Hoyas' Harbin Field.

The soccer team remains undefeated with a record of 15-0-1, and a 21-game winning streak which began last season.

The first goal of the game was scored by Peter "Boonie" Isaacs (who has scored nine goals this year) at 34:29.

Intercepting a Georgetown pass at midfield he maneuvered around two defenders into the penalty box and blasted a 15-yard shot past the Hoya goalie into the left corner of the net.

Just over a minute later Isaacs scored again. This time taking a quick pass from teammate Waidi Akanni at the top of the penalty box and powering his shot to the right side of the goal, past the unprepared goaltender.

After the game Isaacs commented that the poor field conditions kept the game much closer than he had originally thought it would be.

"The field slowed down our attack a lot. They played a good game, but we could have had a lot more goals," said Isaacs.

Howard goalkeeper Shaka Hislop, only a freshman, had six saves and logged his ninth shutout of the season. The Booters have allowed just five goals throughout the season.

"The rankings don't really mean that much," said head coach Keith Tucker. "We don't mind playing an extra game because Virginia for the past few years has had a first-round bye and then were knocked out



Darrell Brathwaite clears ball during Howard's victory over UDC's Firebirds.

photo by Donovan Marks

because of the two-week layoff."

In other action the Booters also defeated the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) last Thursday at Greene Stadium en route to capturing the 14th annual Chambers Cup - a competition between Howard and UDC in which the Bison have won 13 matches and tied once.

The Booters scored their first goal within the fourth minute of play when UDC fullback Aggrey Haynes tried to pass the ball back to the

goalie, Garfield Rodriguez. The pass was too hard and Howard's forward Samana Zulu was in perfect position to steal the ball and make the conversion.

With 15 minutes remaining in the first half, Isaacs dribbled down the left side and crossed the ball toward the goal, UDC's Sam Given headed the ball out, but only as far as on-rushing Booter midfielder Harold Heath. Heath fired a 20-yard cannonball into the back of the net to put

the Booters up by two.

Twelve minutes later, relentless tackling by Bison midfielder Darrell Brathwaite caused a throw-in, awarded to the Bison. The ball was thrown to Isaacs who made the same move down the left side. This time he took a shot on goal which was saved by the diving Rodriguez.

UDC's Abdul Contch and Lester Kadens applied pressure to the Bison goal, but excellent goaltending by Bison goalie Shaka Hislop kept

UDC's goal count at one.

With three minutes remaining in the half the Booters were awarded a corner kick. Forward Anthony "Briggy" Laird took a swerving corner which flew past Rodriguez's fingers for Howard's third goal.

Tucker made several changes during the game and expressed concern over injuries to the team.

"We were trying to prepare for the playoffs and the only thing I see that can stop us are injuries," said Tucker. "I believe we are in the playoffs because it would be very difficult to leave the number eight-ranked team out of the playoffs," said Tucker.

The second half saw forward Waidi Akanni score two goals for the Bison, the first one at the 60 minute-30 second mark of the game. Akanni dribbled toward the goal, beat one defender with precise ball handling and fired a shot which deflected off Rodriguez's hands and bounced into the net.

Akanni's second goal, and Howard's fifth, came when he received a pinpoint pass from Irving Williams. Akanni dribbled toward the goal and slammed a shot in past a diving Rodriguez.

The Firebird's only score came with just over two minutes remaining in the game.

Contch dribbled in toward the goal and fired a shot past goalie Barrington Watson, who had been brought on to replace Hislop at the start of the second half.

"Howard is the finest team we've played all year," said UDC coach Clyde Watson. "Frankly, I'd be disappointed if they do not make it to the (NCAA) final four."

Information compiled from staff reports and the Washington Post.

## Killings, defense drown out UDC, 49-0

By James Walker and Scott  
McClennay  
Hilltop Staff Reporters

With Bison Head Coach Willie Jeffries going for his 100th career win, the football team took on and destroyed the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) Firebirds last Saturday at Greene Stadium.

The Bison won this non-conference game by a score of 49-0, and is now tied for first place in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) with only one loss.

Playing before a small crowd of 3,159 fans, the Bison were able to score at will against a freshman-dominated UDC team.

Howard finished with 380 total yards, 291 of them in the first half. This was the teams 14th consecutive victory over a Division II opponent, and its 12th win in the last 13 home games.

The winless Firebirds, now 0-8, only suited 39 players--20 of them were freshmen--for the game. Eighteen of their freshmen started.

With this much youth on their team the outmanned Firebirds proved to be no match for the Bison.

The Bison defense played aggressively, forcing turnovers, holding the visitors to only 105 total yards and not allowing any big plays.



Howard defensive linemen converge to tackle Firebird runner.

photo by David Embden

In the first quarter Darryn Robinson, Walter Price and Thomas Jones each had interceptions, which set up two of the Bison's touchdowns.

Price returned his interception 41 yards for a score to make it 28-0 with nearly five minutes still remaining in the first quarter.

With the help of these big interceptions, the Bison never looked back, in terms of scoring.

The Howard offense was led by

tailback Fred Killings, who entered the game leading the MEAC in rushing average per game, with an average of 144 yards per game.

Killings was superb, finishing with 159 yards on 16 carries, and an average of nearly 10 yards per carry. He set the pace with a 19-yard run to conclude a four-play 53-yard drive on the Bison's initial possession with less than a minute gone in the first quarter.

Quarterback Lee DeBose entered the game rated top among passers in the MEAC. While only completing four of 10 passes, he passed for 121 yards and two touchdowns, one to John Javis for 31 yards and another to Troy Kyles for 30 yards.

The Firebirds' starting quarterback, Albert Purvis, threw interceptions on three of his team's first five see Football, page 11

## MEAC track, volleyball tourneys ahead

By Morika Burgess  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

On Nov. 3-4 and Nov. 4-5, the Howard University track and volleyball teams, respectively, will face their toughest challenges this season. They will be competing against Delaware State, Morgan State, South Carolina State, Bethune-Cookman, North Carolina A&T, and Florida A&M, at the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (M.E.A.C.) Cross Country Track Championship.

These colleges will bring their best volleyball and best men's and women's, cross country track teams, to compete against Howard's.

"This should be an exciting cham-

pionship," said track coach William Moultrie. The winners will receive a university trophy and the MVP will receive an award. Moultrie also has a chance of being named most outstanding coach of the year. Both Howard teams are ready for the conference and have great expectations for this season.

In preparation for the conference the cross country team practices from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. everyday, averaging four miles each day.

"Nicole Turo, who is a Freshman, has an excellent chance of coming in first at the M.E.A.C. Conference," said team captain Lucinda Ford. "The women are a little stronger than the men, but both teams are working

out extremely hard."

In the M.E.A.C. Championships the women have to run 3.1 miles, whereas the men double their figures and run 6.2 miles. Figures like these may discourage some people, but Moultrie states, "We have a real fine group of men and women; they are very strong-willed, and that's what makes coaching worthwhile."

Moultrie warns, however, that Delaware State should be Howard's toughest competition.

So far the women's cross country team consists of Camille Hendrix, Bonnie Simpson, Ursula Williams,

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## Howard athletes make the grade

By Rodney Tims  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Proposition 48 is an entrance rule that gives strict guidelines for student-athletes competing in collegiate sports. The number of athletes at Howard who fall into this category is far lower than those at many larger predominantly white schools.

"Student-athletes at Howard University are affected by Proposition 48 in smaller numbers than at other major universities, due to [our] recruiting methods," said Howard Athletic director, coach William Moultrie.

The NCAA guidelines for incoming freshman are as follows: A requirement of 700 combined score on the SAT placement exam, or a 15 composite score on the ACT placement exam.

In addition, athletes must have completed 11 courses in the core curriculum, the core curriculum includes three units of English, two units of math, social sciences, natural science, and two electives. The student must also possess a minimum 2.0 GPA. in their core curriculum.

This rule applies to both division I and division II schools. Howard's athletic program is at the division IAA level. Moultrie said that while students may be accepted to the University, they may not be accepted to compete in sports.

"A student can qualify for admission to the University, but fail to qualify for participation in athletics. This person is a practical qualifier, and as a result loses one year of athletic eligibility," said Moultrie.

Moultrie went on to stress that the athletic department is careful of recruiting ineligible athletes.

"I discourage all of my coaches against recruiting a student that doesn't qualify by NCAA standards, said Moultrie.

There are however seven students out of an estimated 240 who are proposition 48 victims. These seven students do receive scholarship money to attend school.

Howard athletes are not guaranteed of success academically, just because they pass proposition 48.

"There is much irony in the rule, because we've had athletes prior to Proposition 48 who have excelled and graduated from this University. Yet

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## FAMU preview

By James Walker  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

For the Bison, this weekend's match-up against Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) opponent Florida A&M is a pivotal game according to coach Willie Jeffries.

"After our loss to Towson St. all we have to do is defeat Florida A&M, Morgan State, and Delaware State in that order and we will be champions," said Jeffries.

"They have a real good football team on the field they have only lost on the field to Georgia Southern. The defense is the strength of FAMU," said Jeffries.

Howard faces the fact that this weekend's game is for all the marbles, possibly deciding the MEAC champion for 1988.

Florida A&M presently leads the MEAC with a 3-1 (5-2-1, overall) record and the conference in defense allowing an average of four yards per play. Howard (2-1 MEAC, 6-2

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## Football

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possession.

The first quarter opened with UDC's Gary Gillespie kicking off to John Jarvis who returned the ball to the 47 yard line. Jarvis averages 27 yards per carry on returns leading the MEAC.

Starting at the 47-yard line, the Bison's running back Fred Killings bounced to the outside on the left side for a big gain across the midfield to the 29.

Senior fullback Tony Mack handled the ball next and broke a run down the middle of the field to the Firebird 19-yard line before being tackled by UDC's Johnny "Hitman" Beatty.

After changing direction in mid-strike, Killings broke open a touchdown run by popping to the outside and scoring from 19 yards out.

Gary Mossop's point after kick was good giving the Bison a 7-0 lead.

Quarterback Lee DeBose needed only 29 yards passing to go over the 1,000 yard mark in a season. He is only the second quarterback in Bison

history to do so.

The drive, completed behind the offensive linemen of Pat Boyd and company, was a four-play, 53-yard drive done in 42 seconds.

An offside penalty on the point after was assessed against UDC on the kickoff.

UDC took over on their 20 after Mossop's kick went into the endzone. On the third possession Firebird quarterback Alberto Purvis was intercepted by Bison linebacker Darryn Robinson, who returned it to the UDC seven yard line. The Bison, however, were unable to score.

Howard's defense stymied the Firebirds and the offense took over on the 47 with 9:58 seconds left in the first quarter.

Killings kept up his slashing runs winding his way to the UDC 33. Mack picked up six then DeBose connected with wide receiver Troy Kyles who ran to the three.

The 5'5", 180-pound Mack ended the 6-play 53-yard drive with a two-yard touchdown run behind Willie Felder. Mossop's kick was good and the Bison led 14-0 with 8:38 remaining in the first quarter.

Still in the first quarter, Mack broke open over the left side for a 30-yard touchdown score, his second of the day. Mack had 4 carries for 48 yards, enhancing the 3 play 49 yard

execution done in 44 seconds.

Howard led 21-0 after Mossop's extra point with 5:56 remaining.

On a later UDC drive, Purvis' fumbled snap left UDC second and thirteen. Purvis then threw an interception to defensive back Walter Price on the UDC 41 yard line.

Price returned the ball for a touchdown, shredding tacklers the last five yards and giving Howard a 28-0 lead. That was the first Howard interception returned for a touchdown in three years.

Howard kicked off and defensive back James Moses saved a touchdown attempt by the Firebirds on a reverse at the 37.

UDC went for it on fourth and one with a quarterback sneak and made a first down with 2:47 left. The drive was stifled when Thomas Jones intercepted on the 21 with 29 seconds left.

Howard opened the second quarter still controlling the ball and the momentum. On third and four DeBose brought the ball to first and 10 at the 43.

Killings then ran to the 34 on a pitch out. DeBose laid out a fly pass to the junior from South Carolina, Jarvis, who walked into the endzone after the defensive back overplayed the ball. Howard went up 35-0 after Mossop's kick.

Howard again took possession on the UDC 31 yard line after sophomore Gary Willingham sacked the UDC quarterback on a third and five play.

Senior tight end Jimmie Johnson rumbled his way over and through tacklers after catching a DeBose pass to the 30. With 9:53 left, DeBose again threw to Kyles for a scoring strike giving Howard a 42-0 lead.

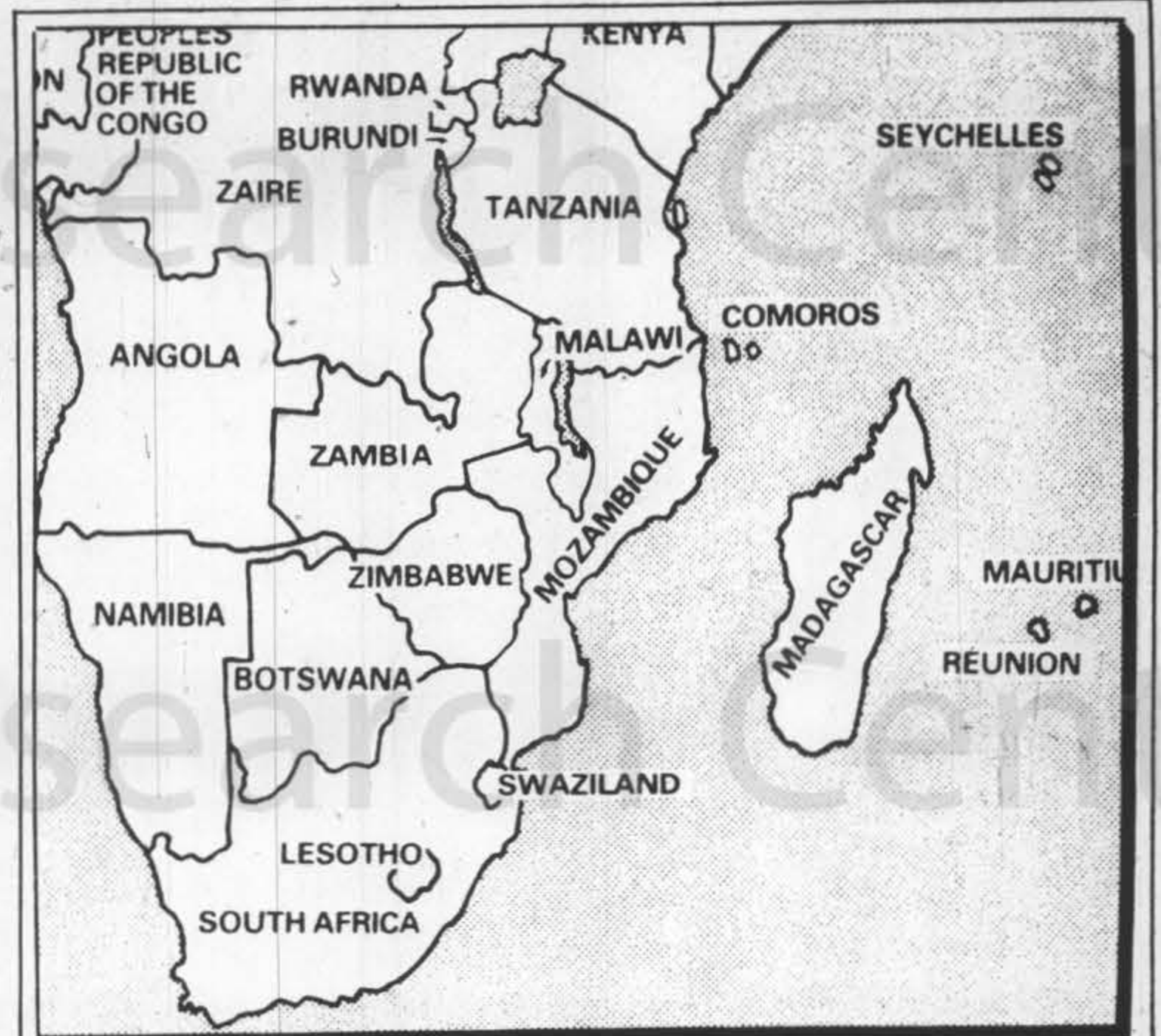
UDC replaced Purvis with another freshman quarterback, Don Parker. Parker led UDC to their best drives of the game but could not convert any points.

Red-shirt freshman Donald Carr replaced DeBose and with 3:01 left in the third quarter and after a personal foul penalty against UDC, Howard took over on the 11.

Carr connected with Johnson for an 11-yard touchdown pass. The score and Mossop's kick made the lead 49-0, Bison.

The catch by Johnson is his eighth of the season making him one shy of the single season record held by Derrick Faison.

Faison has six catches this season.



## Grenada: Five years later

By Elizabeth Lloyd  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Five years after the U.S. invasion of Grenada, little of the boasted development has taken place on the island, according to a panel gathered to address the Caribbean Students Association at a recent meeting.

The program, recognizing the anniversary of the Oct. 25, U.S. invasion, was called "Grenada: Then and Now."

The panelists were James Cheek, former U.S. ambassador to Ethiopia and Howard University professor of political science; Gwendol Thomas, a Grenadian who is attending law school in the U.S.; and Anthony Joseph, a Howard student and CSA member.

Cheek gave a brief historical outline of the relationship between the U.S. and the Caribbean.

"Prior to 1960, the U.S. considered the islands of the West Indies to be nonexistent," said Cheek. "President Johnson was not in the least bit interested in picking up another burden—this was because America was in the middle of the war with Vietnam."

As a result, said Cheek, the Caribbean was "...neglected and ignored. We did not want to get interested politically in the islands because then we would be forced to get interested economically."

"The Reagan-era started the willingness for America to have some interest in the West Indies islands," said Cheek.

Thomas looked at the situation from a native's point of view. "This was one of the most disturbing incidents that has ever happened in the Caribbean region and I was very much disappointed," he said.

"I visited the country seven months after the incident and I was shocked to see that not much had taken place and the people were still

very much disillusioned by what had gone on," said Thomas.

He added that the statistics for the tourism industry, on which Grenada is very much dependent, are not what they should be. "Agriculture is not playing the role that it should be playing in order to stabilize the budget of the economy," Thomas said.

Thomas said that the only way the current system might work is if all Grenadians living abroad return home and "use their expertise to help further the country."

The U.S. invaded Grenada under the pretext of a request from the other members of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States and under the guise of rescuing several medical students who were studying on the island.

The OECS member nations are: Grenada, Montserrat, Antigua, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Dominica, St. Kitts-Nevis.

The invasion occurred several days after New Jewel Movement leader, Maurice Bishop, was slain in a coup by General Hudson Austin.

The U.S. installed Nicholas Braithwaite as interim leader and later held elections which placed Herbert Blaise, a Gairy era politician, in the office of Prime Minister. Both Barbados and Jamaica also sent troops to Grenada.

Nineteen Americans, forty-five Grenadians and twenty-nine Cubans were killed in the invasion.

The New Jewel Movement took power in a March, 1979 coup, which overthrew Sir Eric Gairy.

The U.S. became concerned about the Grenada revolution when large contingents of Cuban personnel began building a major airstrip on the island.

Republican presidential candidate, George Bush, was key in organizing the invasion. While campaigning recently, he said he is proud the role he played in the invasion.

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overall) is not far behind allowing 4.5.

FAMU is presently ranked 10th in the nation in Division I-AA in total defense (270.6 YPG), and 14th in pass defense (135.8 YPG)

While the Rattlers are first on defense, the Bison presently lead the MEAC in offense. They lead total offenses with almost seven yards per play, and 440.9 yards per game.

They are also ranked first in Division I-AA in rushing offense with 298.4 yards per game, and second in scoring offense (35.5 points per game).

Florida A&M uses a professional style offensive set, with an affinity for running sweeps. Despite their advanced style Jeffries said he is not overly concerned with the FAM offense.

Their offense has not been what is keeping them in the game. Teams successful against their offense are teams that blitz and try to rush him [the Florida quarterback]. The running backs have average speed but are really big backs who run hard.

Our defense will have to play extremely hard to keep us in the game."



## MEAC STANDINGS

### Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

#### W L T Overall/Conference

Howard 6-2-0/2-1-0  
Florida A&M 5-2-1/3-1-1  
Delaware State 4-3-0/3-2-0  
S.C. State 4-4-0/3-3-0  
Beth-Cookman 3-5-0/3-2-0  
N.C. A&T 2-7-0/2-3-0  
Morgan State 0-9-0/0-4-0

## Volleyball team defeats UMES

By Nwandi Lawson  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Bouncing back from a loss to Loyola University on Oct. 25, the Howard University volleyball team powered past the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore (UMES) in straight games last Thursday, bringing its undefeated conference record to 8-0.

The first game was highlighted by strong serving points by Howard. Sophomore Sandra Crenshaw used her devastating serve to score nine points.

The team went on to beat UMES easily in the first game 15-4.

Arlina-Pierce, also a sophomore, showed the skills that have made her number one on the team in assists.

In the second game, she consistently delivered pinpoint sets (placing the ball in scoring position) which made the big plays possible.

Despite a strong rally by UMES,

which tied the score 11-11 at one point, Howard went on to win the second game 15-13.

Howard profited once again from its serving skills in the final game and coasted by UMES 15-8.

The inexperience of the team, which is composed of three freshmen and eight sophomores, has not stood in the way of success according to Head Coach Linda Spencer. She also commended her reserve players on their performance.

"All eleven players are valuable," she said. "We don't rely upon one person. I play everyone and don't hesitate to go to my bench."

Although the team has been plagued by a series of knee and ankle injuries to its starters, its conference play has been exemplary. However, there have been lapses in team performance.

Spencer attributes the team's inconsistency in non-conference action to the mental lag which accompanies

these types of injuries. Howard will defend its Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) title in the Fall Championships Nov. 3 and 4. Spencer sees little cause to worry about competition from most of the other MEAC teams, as

Howard has already beaten them during the regular season.

Spencer sees the real challenge coming from Florida A&M University, a team which Howard has not yet faced.

She also looks expectantly towards next season. "It's taken a while for us to get since we are a young team. Next year will be our year," Spencer concluded.

## MEAC

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Nicole Turo, Sharon Johnson, Gita Bolt, Michelle Felder, Lucinda Ford and Holli Walker, but only seven of these nine women will compete in the championships.

The top seven men are John Branch, Jeffrey Dallas, Thomas C. Brooks, James Davis, Welch Galaister, Kevin Roberts and Derrick Johnson. Freshman students account for more than a half of the total team.

The women will compete at 2 p.m. and the men at 3 p.m. on Nov. 3. The volleyball team will compete on Nov. 4 at Fort Dupont, in northeast Washington D.C.

This week's championships will close out the volleyball team's seasonal competition, while the track team still has an indoor and an outdoor season coming up.



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## Rule

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some students have met Proposition 48, but haven't matriculated as well as we would have expected," said Moultrie.

Since it's conception there has been criticism that the rule was racially biased. This belief is based on the theory that African-Americans and other minorities traditionally score lower on standardized tests.

Imposing these guidelines on students who are academically and financially less equipped, prohibits these students from obtaining the opportunity to pursue higher education. Consequently, those students would not be able to utilize their athletic abilities.

Moultrie said he does not agree with the notion that the rule is racially motivated.

"The white schools lobbied for the rule because many of their students weren't qualified academically upon arrival," said Moultrie.

He would not comment on which athletic programs had the most Proposition 48 victims. Neither would he comment on those programs that had low retention rates or other academic casualties.

Howard's athletes must maintain a 2.0 at all times in order to participate in athletics. If after one year a student's grades do not meet the 2.0 level, they will lose their scholarship.

"Howard's main concern is how well a person can develop as a student first and as an athlete second. The most important item I stress is academics...you can't play without grades," said Moultrie.

## Legacy

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He added, "The obstacles he had to overcome because of so many closed doors and his ability to achieve and open doors for others makes me extremely happy."

In order to continue encouraging more African-Americans to major in mathematics, in 1975, the mathematics department established, in 1975, the Elbert F. Cox Scholarship Fund.

"It is my hope that students see him as a role model," Dean Cox said.

"Don't think about the fact that you're (students) often held back because of the color of your skin."

"But, like my father did, have faith and a willingness desire to achieve, then obstacles will be broken, and you, too, will help make a difference for others," Cox said.

## Lee

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it is not authentic.

Buford said that when "School Daze" was showing, there were many of unauthorized sweatshirts, t-shirts in circulation.

"I can understand the enterprising mentality of some brothers, but that's an infringement of our rights. We have copyrighted the designs and in the past we've sued somebody for the use of the 'School Daze' insignia," Buford said, adding that they are prepared to do the same, if necessary, for "Do The Right Thing."

## Howard swim team sinks in preseason meet

Deborah Dorsey  
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Despite intense practicing, the Howard University Sharks were unsuccessful in their debut performance of the new season last Friday night at the Capitol Colonial Relays held at Catholic University.

Going into his second season, Coach Eric C. Howard commented, "This is just a scrimmage meet for us."

The Sharks competed before a small audience of Howard fans in over twelve events. Their placings ranged from second to sixth.

"Our main concern was not really to win, but to

work on areas that we knew needed improvement," said Howard.

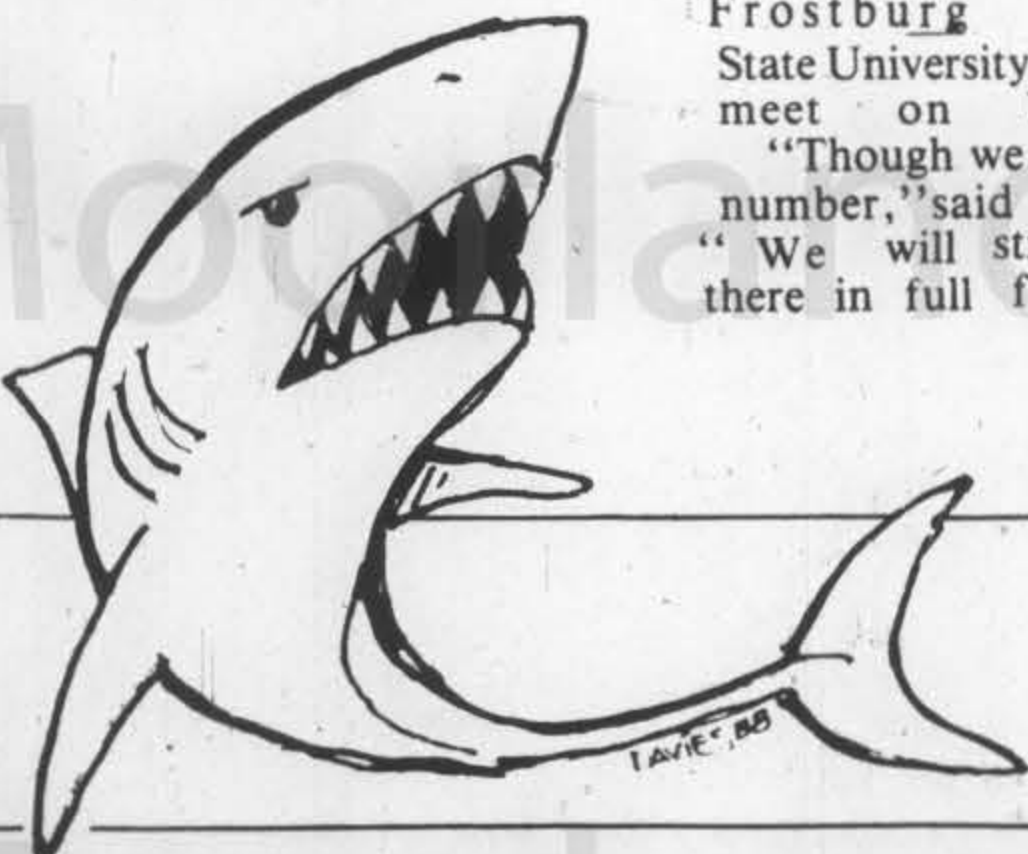
He commented on the fact that the team has only eleven men and three women, an increase of no more than three members over last year's team.

"So many students that have the ability just don't come out for the team or either they are given full scholarships to go somewhere else."

"Howard needs to strengthen its support in this program and offer more aid to the students," added Howard.

The Sharks will face Frostburg State University in their next meet on Nov. 12.

"Though we are small in number," said Howard, "We will still go out there in full force."





# Hilltopics

## Announcements

The Ohio Club is sponsoring a trip to Cleveland, Columbus, and Cincinnati for the Thanksgiving holiday.

**OHIOANS !!!**  
There will be an Ohio Club meeting on Nov. 10th & 17th at 6pm in Rm105 Douglass Hall. The deadline for dues is Nov 10th.

California Student Association  
General Body Meeting  
Wed., Nov. 9th 1988  
Blackburn, Rm148  
at 5:15 pm. Sharp  
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There will be a meeting for all UGSA volunteers Monday, Nov. 7th at 7pm in the Blackburn Center Forum. If you cannot attend, please stop by Rm110 Blackburn.

The Undergraduate Student Assembly would like to remind the Howard University Community that November 8th is election day. Exercise your democratic right and vote!

## ATTENTION

The Student National Medical Association will be holding a general meeting Nov. 1st at 5pm in the Blackburn Forum. All future doctors are requested to attend.

## MARYLAND CLUB MEETING

TUES. NOVEMBER 8th, 1988. In the Forum-Blackburn Center at 6:30pm.

## The HEALTH PROFESSIONALS CLUB

Will have a meeting on Wed., Nov. 16th, 1988 at 5:30pm in Locke Hall Rm105. All are welcome to attend this meeting.

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## The Indiana State Association

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3) The male and female receiving the most monetary votes each win

For more info, call Lori(667-6108) or Susan(636-1797).

## HEALTH CARE CAREER SEMINAR

Friday, Nov 4th, 1988  
6:30  
School of Business  
Student Lounge, Rm579  
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Lorna

H.U.D.E.P.P. will sponsor a forum on "An Overview of the Endemic Alcohol and Drug Problem in the Greater Washington Area"  
Speaker: Mr. Domingos Lobos  
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services Administration (ADASA)

The program will be held on Wednesday Nov. 9th, 1988 at 10pm-11am in the Blackburn Center forum. For more information contact Kimberly Gregg at 636-6870.

Pre-Pharmacy meeting Tues. Nov 8th, 1988 at 5pm in Rm207. Chauncey I. COOPER HALL HOWARD UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF PHARMACY.

## Coming Soon...

"The Salute To Black Women" Sponsored by the Undergraduate Student Assembly. For further information call Caryn Gay at 636-6918.

H.U. School of Social Work is having a clothing drive, for needy families. Please bring all donations to Social Work Oct. 17th-Dec. 12th.

H.U.S.A.'s Community Action Network is soliciting students with time and love to give to participate in their Big Brother/Big Sister Program. Interested

students should stop by the H.U.S.A. office (Rm. 102 Blackburn), and speak with Sherri Lewis, Lisa Brown, or Regina Hampton(636-7007).

## SOMETHING IN THE AIR

Something very **BIG** is coming! Be on the lookout for it. It will be here before you know it. Something very Big is coming!

JANUS, The English Department's Literary Magazine is accepting contributions for Fall 1988. Submit carbons or machine copies of poetry, line drawings, prose, to LOCKE HALL, Rm 206. Deadline 4 November.

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## The Ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Alpha Chapter

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Alpha Chapter is also sponsoring a coin drive for the **United Negro College Fund** during the entire month of November. We appreciate your donations. Remember, "A Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste."

## Attention all Howard students!

All absentee ballots for Tuesday's election must be postmarked no later than Tue. 9 p.m.  
Your vote can make a difference. Mail your ballot today!!!

## NURSE-MIDWIFERY OPEN HOUSE

Anyone interested in a career in nurse-midwifery is invited. Information about educational requirements and career opportunities will be presented. Refreshments. 1PM, Thursday, November 10, 1988. Georgetown University School of Nursing, St. Mary's Hall; 3700 Reservoir Road NW; Washington, DC; Phone 687-4767.

## Attention Ladies of 2nd floor

Baldwin Hall 1985  
Let's get together on  
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The Progressive Brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Chapter and The Illustrious Sisters of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. present their 2nd Annual Sleepout for the Homeless  
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The Howard University Soul Squad would like to congratulate the Bison team on a victorious Homecoming!

The Most Noble Lords of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Beta Chapter would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to the "Court Jester."

Happy Birthday Mommy!!!  
I Love You!!!  
Your Son, Chicky

Adriana,  
I missed you last year,  
But you never left my heart!  
Ben

Sookie,  
I love the way we love!!!  
Everyday is sweetest day with you!!!  
Your Man,  
Hunter.

Kassandra Miles,  
Happy 20th Birthday. (Yeah, Right!)  
Cynthia & Sheila

Happy number 20 to Kristi of Meridian  
Get it girl!!!!  
With Love,  
From Your Mom & the Gang

Spunky  
You made my mother's weekend at Howard a wonderful memory.  
Thanks!  
Cupid

## CLIMATIC EFFECT

Oh child, please!  
Come with me.  
Weather is changing.  
Let it be!  
D.L.P.B.

Happy Birthday Tanya Burke, & Congratulations on the fantastic job you did for the Pageant. We must order another pizza from Andrew Watson SOON!!  
Luv,  
LH, CY, CB, JK, JB

## TRIBULATIONS

I'm expecting great things from you frats. Continue daring to be great. BLUE-PH!!  
MR. NICE

Lorna & Dannette,  
Thanks for assisting us during our Halloween party for the kids at the Howard University Hospital. Your participation made a difference to the kids. You are true sisters.  
Your Brothers  
Phi Beta Sigma Frat., Inc.  
Alpha Chapter

Interesting Amundo.  
It was fun having you dissemble my Code of Ethics. I am looking forward to having a funloving, careFREE relationship with you.  
Love,  
Linus

Shaggy & Lil' Bit,  
Thank you both for accepting "Whit". The others don't know that there is still some hope left for a S.B.K. (smile).  
Love,  
The odd ball

Mutley,  
Soon the ordeal will be over, then we can deal with "US". Don't ever forget the promises we made. The "US" is very promising. It may be hard for me but its got to be worse for you, and I'm willing to wait out the storms. As for this weekend - Dinner 8:30 Sunday?  
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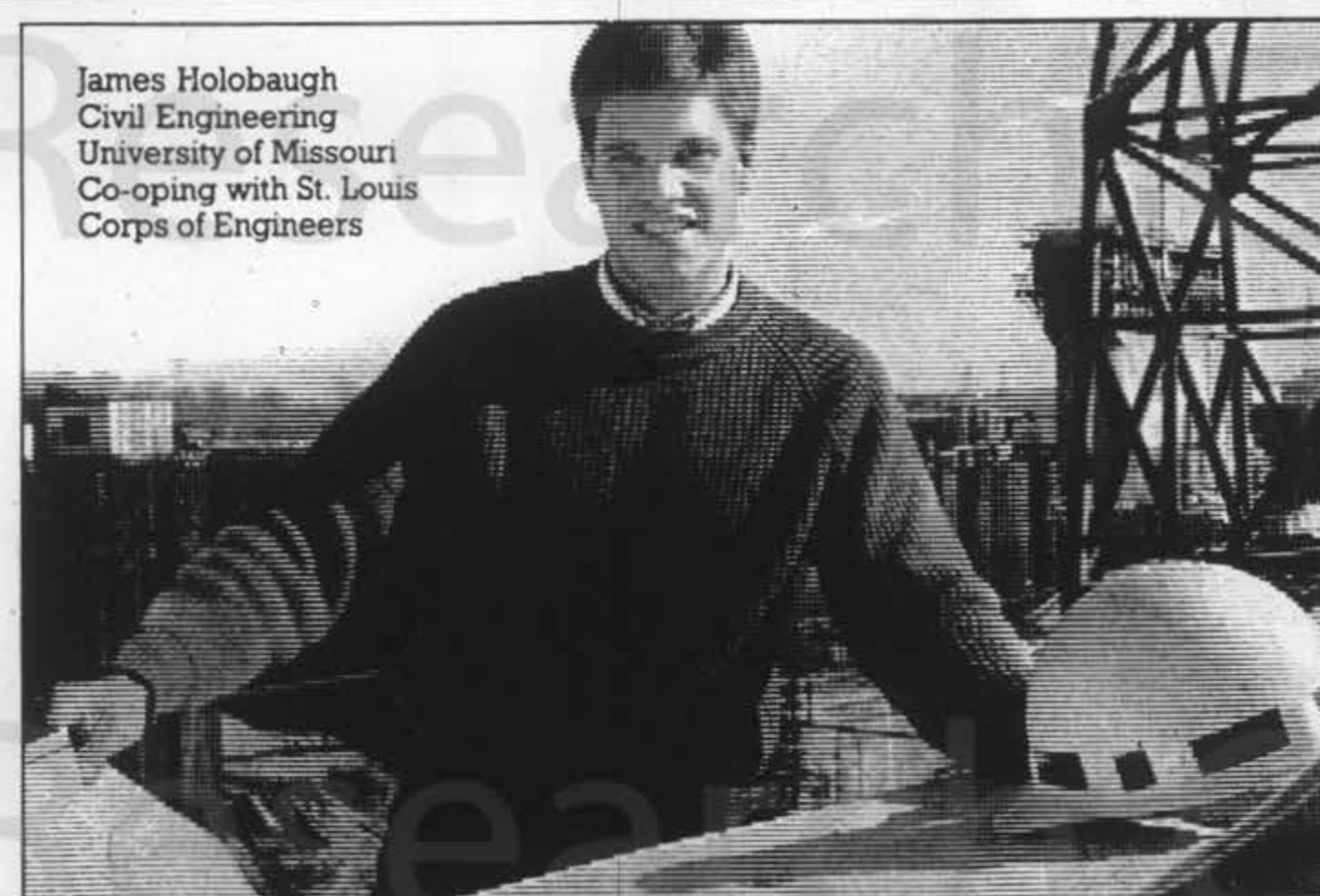
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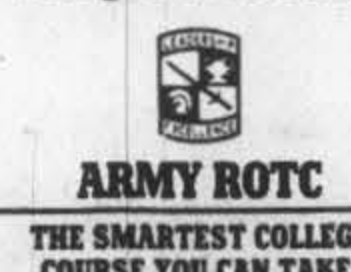
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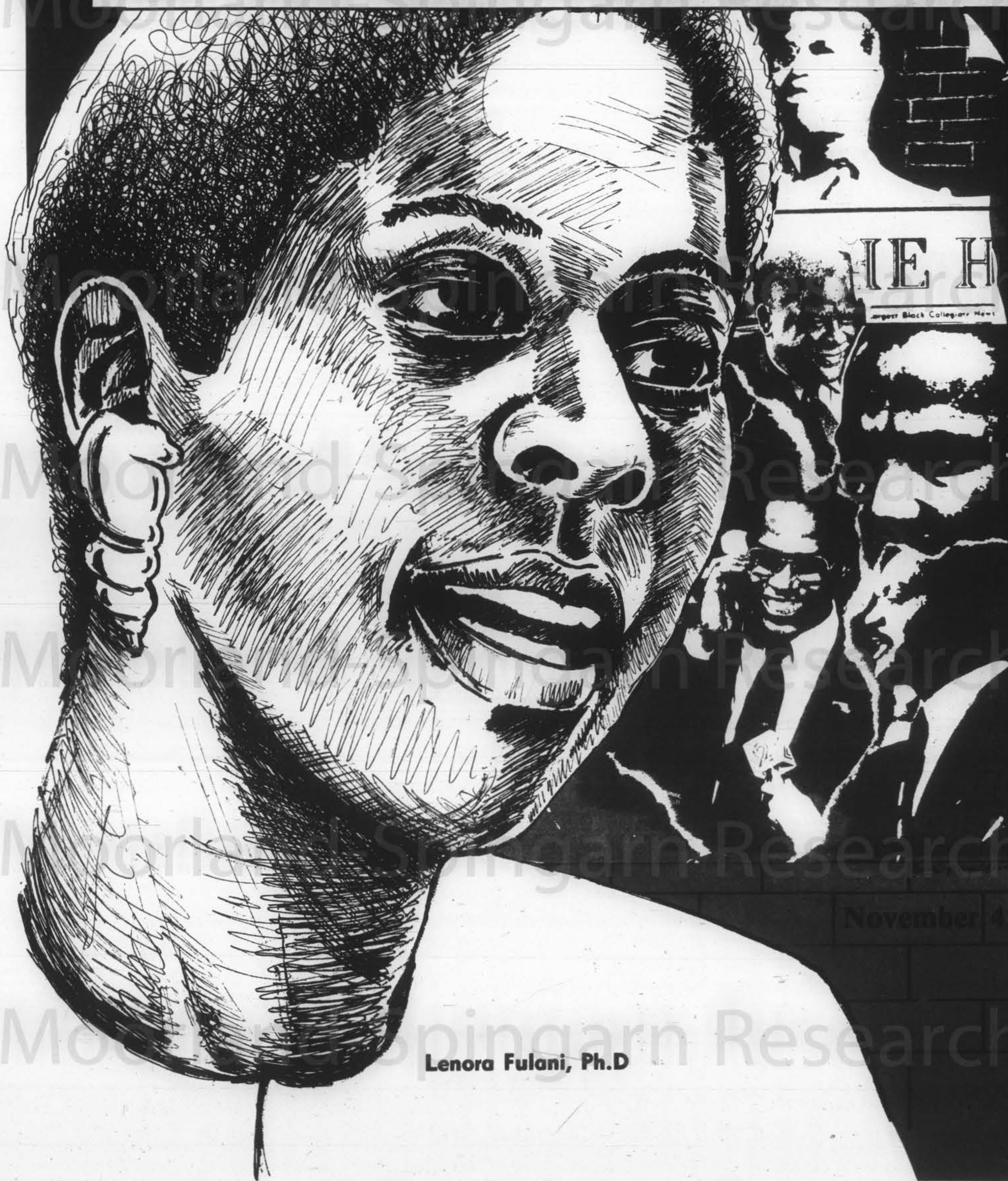
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Lenora Fulani, Ph.D



## An Open Letter From the Hilltop Editor-in-Chief

— Suzanne C. Alexander

*As an instrument of our university's media, I feel a certain obligation to inform students of important current issues relating to their lives. What makes my stance different from the general media is the simple fact that I am primarily concerned with minorities and their place in the news whereas these issues are treated with less importance by other news sources.*

*One important current event the Howard University community should be concerned with is the upcoming presidential election and our reasons for participating in it. We, as African Americans, owe it to our predecessors to consider voting as a serious matter. Our African ancestors did not have rights in America, much less any input as to how the country was to be run.*

*Fighting for basic human rights and freedom from slavery was among their central goals. Succeeding generations, referred to by most people as African "Americans," possessed the right of freedom, but still lacked the rights delegated to American citizens under the United States Constitution simply because of their race. A major hurdle straddled by their subsequent generations was the acquisition of the right to vote, leading directly to input into the country's operation.*

*Our generation has benefited from our ancestor's struggles and triumphs, yet frequently we take their efforts for granted. This notion is prevalent throughout the minority community in this election year, not so much in terms of a lack of desire to vote, but more so in the lack of knowledge necessary to cast a conclusive vote. Our brothers and sisters need to be informed more thoroughly about political issues affecting the minority world.*

*It is unfortunate that the primary candidates, in an attempt to appeal to the majority of Americans, have chosen to address those issues which relate to them (the majority). The media has centered around such trivial points as the time and place for reciting the pledge of allegiance rather than focusing on how to strengthen the spirit of America. Blacks are a minority in America, but our small number is no excuse for not being equally represented by the candidates or the media. Nor is our size an excuse for a lack of participation on our part. The Hilltop newspaper staff, with the publication of **BLAKPOLITIKS**, is attempting to inform the microcosm of minorities in the Howard University community about several minority political issues surrounding the presidential election.*

*We hope the articles presented will address issues directly relating to your lives and will enhance your personal vision concerning minorities' role in politics, specifically, in the presidential election. I hope your horizons will expand, thus enabling you to better formulate more knowledgeable conclusions as to who is the best candidate.*

*Capitalize upon this opportunity to enlighten the majority of "our" role and function in the democratic structure of government in which we live.*

*Understand how minorities in elected offices view the candidates. Understand the role of minority voters in this election. And finally, understand the importance of minority political issues in America. Once cognizant of these points, a light may be shed upon one of the candidates revealing his/her true color-- not that which is portrayed by the mass media.*

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# African-American Politics— 1988

By Derrick L. Payne

Every four years, the presidential election focuses our attention on the workings of our electoral system and the world of politics, as well as the internal and external factors that shape the direction in which our country is going. However, for the black American, the issues have a different perspective.

Since we have not shared in much of the progress that America has made, how and when are we going to get our fair share? When will we not be looked at as a set of problems to be dealt with, but as a group of responsible, productive members of the society with valid needs and concerns to be forcefully met? A closer examination of some of the issues surrounding the political arena may help us answer that question.

The campaign of Dr. Lenora Fulani provides us with an example of the dissatisfaction many black Americans are having with the presidential candidates we are offered. Given a choice between someone who will do nothing for us and someone who will make promises and do nothing, who should we vote for and why? Neither Bush nor Dukakis seems particularly pressed about alleviating the problems of black Americans, so Fulani is running based on consolidation of our political strength. Given her ideological perspective, it should come as no surprise that she has encountered the amount of resistance that she has. There has also evolved an increasing number of black Republicans. Is this a contradiction? Can blacks vote Republican and hold true to their convictions of their people?

The Bible teaches us that we cannot serve two masters. And being both a black American and a Republican would seem to require that choice. If you are loyal to your own financial interests and willing to forsake the people whose backs you have stood on to "make it," then maybe the Republican Party is for you. Black students have begun to step to the front and lead their respective campuses in new directions. Through their position as student government president, many students have demonstrated that they are capable of guiding both large and small student bodies. A special commendation should go to those students who have taken reigns at predominantly white institutions. These strong men and women are succeeding despite overwhelming hostility.

The contributions of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference cannot be overlooked. This organization has provided the ladder that many of us have climbed and are still climbing toward the advancement of our race. Currently, under the direction and leadership of Joseph Lowery, the SCLC continues to struggle on our behalf. Several of these organizations, such as the NAACP and the Urban League have weathered the storms of progression and still survive, continually pushing forward on behalf of all of us, demanding our rights, and making waves that bring needed attention to our plight. We should examine the structural and philosophical changes these organizations have undergone in the last twenty years, and in doing so, examine how they will affect our lives. Many of the productive leaders of the '60s civil rights movement have gone on as martyrs.

We can never forget the contributions of our brothers Martin Luther King, Jr., El Hajj Malik El Shabazz, or Malcolm X. Perhaps a more interesting phenomena is that of those leaders who have ceased to articulate their positions and have retired to quieter, less demanding lives. Do we expect too much from our leaders? Do we rely too heavily upon them for direction? Why do organizations fade after their founders slow down? Is this a reflection upon our future? Although it may be difficult at this time to answer all of these questions, it is critical to our survival that we do our best to do so. If not us, who will. The work is in our hands.

## Meet the Black Woman Who Holds the Key to the White House



Lenora Fulani

Robert J. Vickers

Most people have never heard of Lenora Fulani. She has not received much press coverage since her journey began, but she has continued undaunted and by Nov. 9, the people of the United States will hear her name and, quite possibly, feel her influence.

Fulani has orchestrated an independent presidential campaign to call attention to problems in the relationship of African-American democrats and the Democratic Party.

"When the black community is made aware of the option of my campaign, [they will be more receptive]," she said.

Representing the Alliance Party, Fulani became the first non-white male to be certified to appear on the ballot in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

The historic event, a 21-month effort, made Fulani, "the first black woman, the first African-American woman ever in the history of the United States to run a 50 state presidential campaign in the general election," she noted.

She also said, in a Sept. 16 New York press conference, that her goal is to offer an alternative to supporting Michael Dukakis or even Jesse Jackson.

"Black dissatisfaction with the Democrats is not going unnoticed .... But make no mistakes, Michael Dukakis stands for a narrow, exclusionary, anti-black agenda."

Americans in recent years. "They're wimps fighting for our party rather than our people," she said.

"At the debates, they didn't say anything to anyone who isn't white" she added.

The 38-year-old has said that she does not expect to win the presidency, "barring a major miracle," but hopes that by drawing large numbers of African-Americans to her campaign,

*"His support for Dukakis is support for the Democratic Party and not for his people."*

*-Lenora Fulani on Jesse Jackson*

she will make the Democratic Party pay closer attention to the needs of African-Americans and other minorities. "If I get one million votes, that will keep Dukakis behind and my phone will be ringing off the hook on Nov. 8."

"I feel so glad that we [as black people] are not dependent on the Democrats. I feel empowered to empower people who have been disenfranchised .... by the two-party system," she added.

In a telephone interview, while on the campaign trail in Georgia, Fulani explained why she was not allowed to participate in either of the presidential debates, although she applied for participation on time and is the only other candidate on every ballot in the country.

"They were scared to have me speak because when I speak, people respond," noting that Black Democrats are primarily responsible for the lack of advancement by African-

Although Fulani supported Jesse Jackson's Democratic nomination campaign, she said that knew he would support the party's nominee. "I think Jesse ran a brilliant campaign. I supported the brother all the way, but his support for Dukakis is support for the Democratic Party and not for his people," she



Jesse Jackson

said.

The progressive candidate has faced much adversity since her campaign began in June 1987, much of it centered around her presentation through the press.

The New York Times called her a "minor candidate," The Tampa Tribune called her a trouble maker and The Atlanta Journal-Constitution said Fulani was the "star of Atlanta protests" during the democratic convention, but attributed this to her "hogging the microphone."

"As the person who could be responsible for costing 'The Duke' the White House, I don't respond to attacks from the press, I expect them," Fulani said. Most recently, Sept. 14, Fulani was rejected by the League of Women Voters to be included in their presidential debates.

"On that same day my attorney received a letter from the Commission on Presidential Debates, a creation of the Democratic and Republican Parties. I was informed that I would only be admitted [to its debates] if I could demonstrate that I had a chance of winning the White House. If not, the American public had no need or right to hear me and the Commission was under no obligation to include me," she said.

She added, "My candidacy may be the determining factor in the outcome of the election on Nov. 8 [because] the black community and I will decide the outcome of the 1988 presidential election."



# The New Age of Black Republicans

By Dora Stewart

Whether it be sudden large scale prosperity among blacks, or an immediate change in ideals, the Democratic Party is definitely losing a significant amount of black supporters.

By tradition, the predominately white Republican Party, has been the political symbol of wealth, conservatism and self-sufficiency. At one time, it was unheard of to be black and Republican; however, now with such leaders as Howard University president, James E. Cheek, Junius P. Reed and Alan Keyes promoting the party, it's no wonder we see a large scale gravitation of black Americans to the sign of the elephant.

Juneus P. Reed holds the highest Republican position by a black American in Georgia. At age 47, he is vice-chairman of the Fifth District, the largest in Georgia, and chairman of the 38th District. He has four sons, one attending Howard University, was married at age 22 and owns a janitorial company.

Reed says he is a Republican because, "there are no quick fixes to our societal problem, [and] black people need to start focusing on opportunity and stop exploiting our own color as a people. Traditionally there has been no adequate return for our loyalty," Reed said, referring to the Democratic Party. In a telephone interview Reed stressed the need for dependency on one's self.

Running for senator is Alan Keyes. If elected, he will be Maryland's first black senator, and the state's first Republican senator.

A 1972 graduate of Harvard, where he later obtained his Ph.D. in government in 1979, Keyes is a former consultant with the National Security Council, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nation's Economic and Social Council serving as Assistant Secretary of State of International Organization Affairs. Keyes has been openly criticized by blacks as well as white people, but presents an equally challeng-

*Keyes refused to address the Republican National Convention as their token black.*

ing rebuttal to his skeptics.



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A resident of Rockville, Md., and now a scholar at the American Enterprise in the District, Keyes has lived in all parts of the country. Summarizing a few of his opinions on issues, Keyes says that the drug empire is a slave empire, the pushers being the slave masters. He supports low taxes as the key to empowering individuals and families. And he believes in a strong defense including the Strategic Defense Initiative.

A strong, intellectual and witty man, when Keyes was asked to address the Republican National Convention but declined, saying he refused to appear in a role he regarded that of a token black.

Though Keyes has the advantage of a Harvard education, he also has the disadvantage of being a Republican in a predominantly democratic state, and no political experience. His opponent, Paul Sarbanes is a one-time incumbent and a favorite son in the state of Maryland.

Though there are no black senators in Congress, the only one in history has been a Republican from Massachusetts. Alan Keyes hopes to be the second. Beyond his basic biographical information, Keyes is not hte

traditional Republican. He is not an avid supporter of the Reagan Administration, (though Reagan has endorsed him) even though Reeves stands to benefit if Republican candidate George Bush wins the 1988 election.

He is definitely a Republican, but he does have many Democratic ideas. His uprising is most definitely timely. Regardless of the reason for his change in black American political ideas, statistics show that there is a sharp difference.

In the last election, the percentage of blacks who supported the Republican Party was 15 percent as opposed to the 7 to 8 percent in 1980. True, Alan Keyes does have the disadvantage of being a Republican in a mainly democratic state, but he does have the advantage of being a black in the age where blacks are increasingly supporting Republicans.

Blacks have broken many barriers in a continual metamorphosis from overcoming slavery, claiming the right to vote and leadership positions in a political organization that has been traditionally dominated and monopolized by white people.

# A Nation Called Islam

Misunderstood Muslims persevere despite widespread myths and persecution

By George Daniels

Public misconceptions of the Nation of Islam have plagued the movement since its establishment and left the organization characterized by the media as a fearful force in the black community.

Frequent criticism has come with the presence of the group's Fruits of Islam on the streets of Washington as they attempt to clean up drug-prone areas and corners with prostitution. But although public criticism seems to coexist with the movement and its methods, the Muslims continue to teach now-familiar self-help tactics to the black community.

"As long as we teach the truth, we know that in a society where lies, wickedness and evil are prevalent, they're going to attempt to throw stones at us-- so we're going to keep on doing what we're doing," said Abdul Haqq Islam, a second-year graduate student in black politics at Howard University and a youth organizer for the Nation of Islam.

Haqq Islam has been involved with the Nation of Islam, headed by Min. Louis Farrakhan, since 1976. In that time, he has participated in a Fruit of Islam class which all male members must attend. It provides training in self-defense, martial arts and physical fitness. "You learn how to be a good husband and father, how to become employed and stay employed, and about career development and salesmanship," stated Abdul Alim Muhammed in recent reports, head of the D.C. Mosque of the Nation of Islam.

"You can't change the community without changing the individual," he said. Once these men have completed their training then they may take to the streets to teach while clad in their clean-cut suits and bow ties. According to Haqq Islam, the black community appreciates the presence and teachings of the men. The Muslim's efforts have also been applauded by some faculty members at Howard University.

"It is my hope that the example of private participation in maintaining the quality of life will stimulate other groups to do the same in their fashion," said Dr. Russell Adams, head of the Afro-American Studies Department at Howard. Likewise, Dr. Ronald Walters, a well-known professor of political science at

Howard and a respected authority on black politics congratulated the group on their self-help methods but encouraged a long-term program where the people in target communities learn to take over the jobs that the Moslems are performing.

Many are curious as to why the Muslim's methods are so effective in light of frequent negative publicity. Adams cited two reasons for their effectiveness. The reputation of the Muslims for not turning the other cheek is an important factor, he said. Secondly, the highly organized nature of the organization has helped to produce successful programs, Adams said.

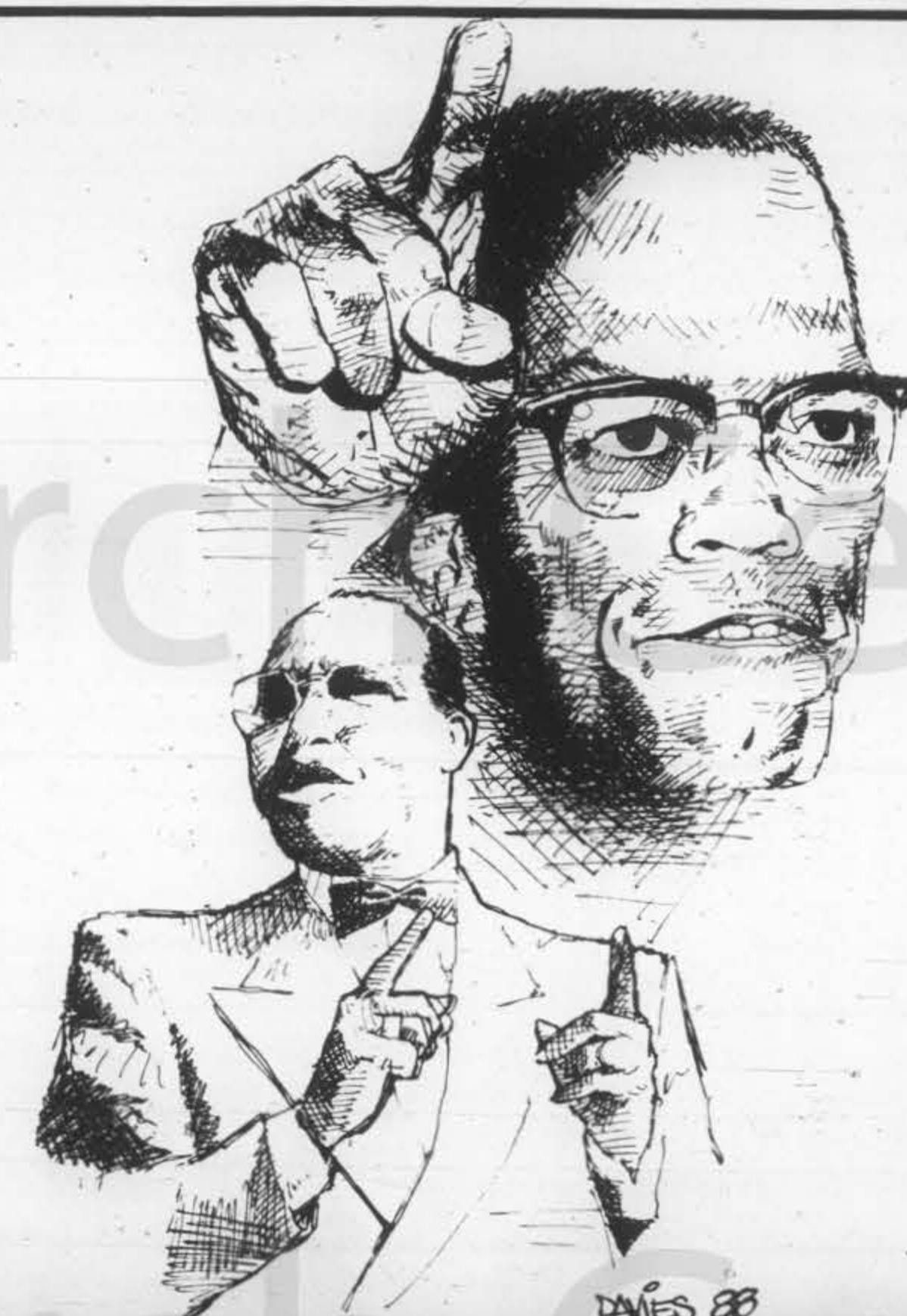
Another success related to the Nation of Islam is a less-visible group, "the Muslims of Howard University." This group also has plans for uplifting the black community. The group, known as "genuine" Muslims, differ fundamentally with the Nation of Islam, specifically in the concepts of God and death.

They believe that Allah did not come to earth in any finite fashion because he is infinite. However, the Nation of Islam, accord-

ing to Alim Muhammed, believe that Allah was actually on earth in the person of Farrad Muhammed. This man was formerly a peddler, according to Alim Muhammed, who appointed a man by the name of Elijah Poole, later known as Elijah Muhammad, to serve as the new leader.

The Nation of Islam, according to Alim Muhammed, considers Elijah Muhammed as the last prophet. The two groups of Muslims also disagree on what will happen to the body after death. The Nation, according to Abdul Muhammed, believes that death is the end of all life. The "genuine" Muslims, however, believe in the physical resurrection of the dead. The two groups do share the common goal of bettering the black community.

Both have strong ideals as to how to lift the black community out of its problems. Alim Muhammed said it is the goal of the "genuine" Muslims to establish a worldwide Muslim government based on the Koran and teachings of the prophet, Elijah Muhammed. The Nation, similarly, calls for the eventual forming of a separate state where the members will have political, social and economical control.





# When the Going Gets Tough, the Tough Talk Money

Experts advocate equilibrium between politics and economics

Robert J. Vickers

On election day every American is equal: "One man, one vote." But as each citizen leaves the polling place the individual influence of each person changes.

One person, a janitor, a repairman or a salesperson, will, having performed his civic duty, walk away; his one vote spent, but the next person, vice president of General Motors, high ranking government official or chairman of the board of IBM, will walk away having cast a vote worth 10 times that of the first man.

This inequality is the cause of a shift in emphasis, in the black community, from political empowerment to acquiring a strong economic base. Economists and political experts have noted that the black community seesaws back and forth from politics to economics; never choosing one and never finding the proper equilibrium.

Dr. Hilbourne Watson, chairman of the Howard University Department of Political Science, believes that the problem stems from a flaw in the political structure of the country.

"Theoretically, political power distributed evenly, but we [as a nation and as a race] are unequal economically." He noted that a primary flaw in blacks gaining political and economic power in the United States is that "blacks see blacks elected into office as [being able to initiate] black empowerment."

"It's been under the Republicans that you have the shift [from political to economic power because] ... those who have wealth will seek political power to insure that the political system helps them keep it. Those who don't, gain economic power by using politics."

"In the period between 1969 and 1987, 60 percent of the population of the U.S. is relatively worse-off in terms of their share of the economy and the wealthy. The top 40 percent, is better off in those same terms and the top

five percent has done exceptionally well during this period," Watson justified.

The relationship, though, between economics and politics is inseparable. Although the trend has been, in times of economic depression or recession, to shift to economic emphasis, switching between emphasizing one policy over the other has yet to work.

"Politics and economics have an extremely close relationship and when we discuss how a group deals with politics and economics to gain power, it is never a simple matter of shifting from one to the other," Watson noted, adding, "I don't believe that this [shift] can be taken to mean that blacks have rejected political issues in favor of economic issues."

Walters added that "the fundamental inconsistency of democracy is the contradiction between political equality and economic equality. If you could correct it, it wouldn't be capitalism."

Dr. Ronald Walters, a noted political scientist also of the university's political science department, responded to Walters statement.

"Our society is not politically democratic. The line between [politics and economics] is the color line of racism and classism."

"In the white community political leaders are entrepreneurs. They use economic power because they have it, but in the black community, political leaders rely on the mass vote and use whatever they have."

This inequality in the political structure has consistently been the cause of the shifts, according to Dr. Cleveland A. Chandler, of the Howard Department of Economics.

"The two [politics and economics] go together; they aren't alternatives to each other. [More recently] the economic side hasn't kept up with political advancement."

Chandler noted that the economic power is nothing new, only the methods in which it is ac-

quired and the groups seeking it have changed.

"It is said politically that money is a prerequisite for full partnership in the political process and if too many people are poor, that will limit their participation in the process."

Walters disputes that there is a new shift in the black community, but agreed that blacks are new to the political game.

"We've seen a shift in rhetoric to entrepreneurial rhetoric and mass strategies of economic development, he said, noting that "blacks don't have access to money, but they do have access to government. We have to figure out how to use political positions to increase economic power."

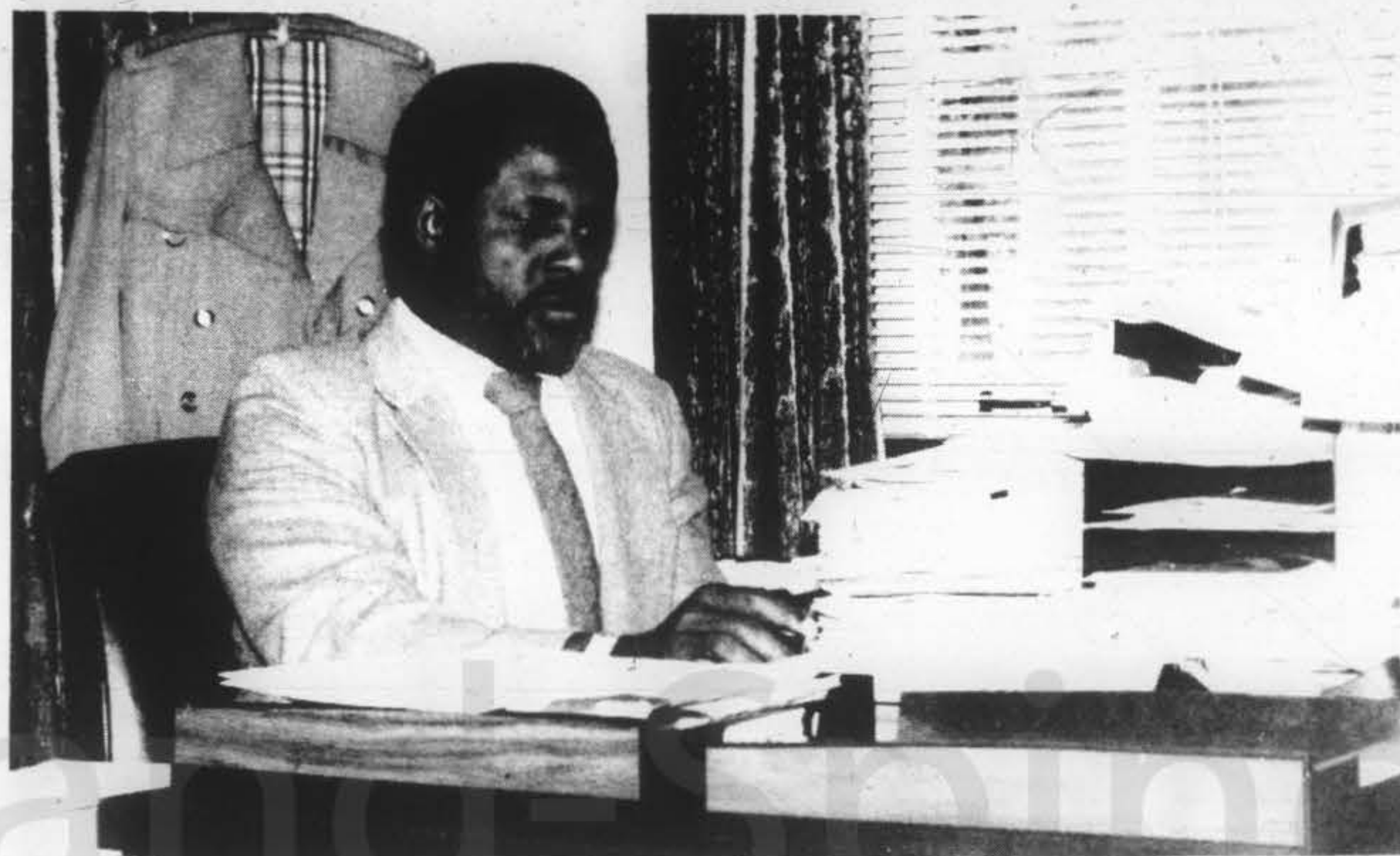
"The brightest blacks go into firms starry-eyed and become disgusted that the firms won't let blacks run the firms. We need a level of entrepreneurship that will sustain the high number of black employees, not the 'Mom and Pops' operation that has 1.5 employees."

In the past "it has been the job of black universities to graduate people to enter the job market. Instead of graduating employees, we should be graduating firms [because] if its not coming out of [black colleges], it ain't coming."

Chandler agreed. "Our graduates from the [Howard] School of Business don't get jobs to help in the economically depressed areas. We don't have structured organization to do anything in these areas."

Noting the existence of a "glass ceiling" in corporate America, Walters pointed out that in the past the black community tried to merge into the American economy instead of forming their own economic base.

The black community "has thrown itself on the open job market [as apposed to consolidating its resources within the community as other ethnic groups have done] and it hasn't worked," he said, noting that "we [as blacks] can plan, but we have to keep in mind that there are people planning on how to keep us where we are."



Chairman of the Howard University Department of Political Science, Dr. Hilbourne Watson.

# On Campus: New Eyes on the Prize

Eric Smith

On college campuses across the country, future black leaders, those who may become the next Jesse Jackson or Lenora Fulani, take their first steps into the political arena by assuming the duties and responsibilities of student government officers on their campuses. A notable lack of young leaders for various civil rights organizations has caused many of today's leaders, such as Joseph Lowery, the head of the SCLC, to ponder the future of black Americans and other minorities.

Garfield Swaby, president of the Howard University Student Association, and representative of the 11,535 students that are enrolled at the university, believes that his experiences will prove beneficial if he chooses to enter the political field after he graduates.

"The position I'm in now does prepare you for a political life in the real world. To become a student president and vice-president at Howard, you have to go through many of the same ordeals that Bush and Dukakis are going through right now. The campaigning, debating and being subjected to dirty tactics. It's the same process just scaled down," he said.

Swaby has not yet decided if he wants to enter politics, but does feel that black youth need to take a more active part in politics.

"I would like the students at Howard to become more involved in the political process. Every other people, ethnically speaking, makes their vote count, we need to do the same," he said.

Aristide Collins, the student vice-president and chief administrator at California State University-Hayward, believes his current position will give him a backdrop to draw from when he pursues a position in Congress or the Senate in the future. "Being responsible for 12 to 13 thousand people is a large responsibility."

This college campus is like a small city. And every group of students with different majors can be considered a separate minority group. There are also issues that come up like child and health care which must be dealt with," he said. Collins, a sophomore majoring in communications, is one of the youngest students ever to sit on the executive board at his university.

As chief administrator of a school that has only a nine percent black enrollment, Collins finds himself in a position where he must try to get black students involved in school activities "without looking biased." "If you can survive being an officer at a major university, then you should have the character to survive in real politics," Collins said.

"There are a lot of opportunities for blacks to get involved, but you have to make a place for yourself. If you want changes you have to make them happen, they're not just going to come to you," he added.

Canetta Ivy, a junior communications major at Stanford University, does not believe that a student needs to be involved in school government to make those changes. Ivy, one of four

of the areas where blacks must continue to struggle. "I think black politicians are very stagnant at his point. Primarily because they don't have the proper psychology to promote African-American's welfare," he said.

Deborah Evans, immediate past president of California State University-Hayward, was the first black woman to ever be elected to the position. "Being student body president was a positive step for me because it was like being in a playground. It gave me the chance to try new ideas and allowed me to make connections while working within the administration," she said. Evans, who was recently accepted to Harvard University Masters Program intends to obtain her Masters Degree in Business Administration. She believes that her experiences



Garfield Swaby, president of the Howard University Student Association, led students to the 25th Anniversary of the Great March on Washington.

students who sit on Stanford's Council of Presidents, believes that blacks have progressed in politics, although she does see more room for progression. She plans to attend law school following graduation. "We need to reach higher. We need to reach higher levels. We need to reach the vice-presidency and the presidency. We have tons of blacks mayors but how many black governors are there? How many black senators or congressmen?"

Eddie Glaude, student body president at Morehouse College in Atlanta, plans to become a teacher after he graduates, but he said, "I might end up in politics because of my ideological bent. However that isn't my main goal." "I've learned to great deal in the position, such as how to implement policies that will appeal to a broad base of people and also when it's necessary to stay neutral at certain times," added Glaude, a senior political science major. He believes that politics is one

at CSU-H are continuing to help her today. "I'm still using what I learned back then, now. Being student body president increased many of my abilities, such as analytical and team building, that can be used in any leadership or career position," she said. "I was allowed to get inside the administration and see how things operated. Working within the system instead of working against it to make the necessary changes," she added.

Lee Christian, student body president at North Carolina A&T, said, "My personal conviction is that we have a need for more young black leaders." Christian, a fifth year student majoring in political science, also plans to attend law school following his graduation. "We need to have the conviction that black college students have to provide the answers and solutions for the problems that the black community is faced with," he added.



# Joseph Lowery: *Living SCLC Legend*

By Sonya Ramsey

On August 27, 1963, the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. led more than a quarter of a million people in a March on Washington to fight for the rights of minorities. The Reverend Joseph Lowery accompanied King as a member of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, a non-violent civil rights group started by King.

In commemoration, twenty-five years later, thousands of people re-enacted the famous march to celebrate the legacy of King and to set an agenda for the next 25 years. In 1988, has King's dream of racial equality been achieved? What is the status of Black America.

In many areas black Americans have progressed, but in many others there has been little improvement in 25 years, according to Lowery, now president of the SCLC. "We [blacks] have made progress in the fact that the official legislative posture of the nation, concerning the area of race relations, is of desegregation. We have our house in order concerning the nation's official posture."

*"Today's young people lack the commitment needed [for] the movement."*

-Joseph Lowery

But, Lowery notes that although blacks have won the battle on the consumer side as we can be served at any restaurant, we still haven't won the battle on the cash register side; blacks still only earn about half as much as whites.

Some 35 million Americans live in poverty, a disproportionate number of those in poverty are black and brown, according to Lowery. And for many people in low-income groups if they miss one or two paychecks they are black under the poverty level. We've got to fight to change our nation's priorities, says Lowery.

"This [presidential] election is critical, he says. The national leadership of this nation has exported war and jobs and expanded poverty. Every vote counts."

During the Civil Rights movement of the late 1950s to the early 1970s, college students were often at the forefront of the movement. While the 1990s grow closer, many of our



Joseph Lowery

black leaders are the same leaders from the sixties.

One reason why there seems to be a lack of young black-Americans waiting in the wings to take over the struggle, according to Lowery, is that many young people take an academic approach to the movement.

"Today's young people lack the psychological and spiritual commitment needed to dedicate to the movement. The commitment has to get into your bones." Young people often believe that the struggle is over, according to Lowery. We found the mountains of racism motivating; the encounters with billy clubs motivated us to continue the struggle. Today's racism is often subtle valleys. Young people must be sensitive to the need for struggle.

"The opportunities and advantages we have

today didn't come easy, says Lowery. Autherine Lucy, who was the first black to attend the University of Alabama at Tusculosa in 1956, paid a high price. He who forgets what was painful may experience pain again."

Lowery also said that blacks must continue to fight to strengthen our black institutions. While only 20 percent of black college students attend black colleges, these school graduate more than 40 percent of black college graduates.

"Although the struggle may seem less intense, we must prepare and be aware of the rain, as well as, the thunder," he said. The values of home, faith and hard work are not there; they are being replaced by individualism in many people, according to Lowery. "Whether we like it or not, Black is the most common denominator in the world."

# An Analysis of Black Elected Officials

By Donald Christian

*The mere fact that there has to be some premeditated study of the progress of black elected officials suggests that there is something fundamentally wrong with the American governmental system or American society.*

*Blacks have broken the first barrier on their road to freedom with the Civil Rights Act, and though this represents a major step, the road to freedom is still long. Blacks enjoy civil rights, but in many cases do not possess the basic freedoms. Unless the fight for these freedoms is carried on, the road will never end. The answer for this necessary progress is unity and leadership, and through good leadership, comes many good unity.*

*A lot of responsibility therefore falls on the leaders of our black communities; and much of the ground that has to be broken is in the political arena. Blacks have to be adequately represented in all walks of political life so that they can express their desires and needs to the nation. The black elected official represents at least one of the major keys necessary for true black freedom.*

*A systematic study of the roles, progress and necessary requirements for black elected officials to become elected, is therefore necessary. Blacks are elected in the Federal Government, state government, substate and regional divisions, counties, municipalities, as judicial and law enforcement officials, and in Education. Their numbers have increased from 1469 in 1970 to 6424 at the beginning of 1986, and these figures represent the positive increase that blacks have made in political progress.*

*This significant increase represents something positive for blacks as a people in light of the years of suffering that the black nation has had to undergo. Two trends which have been identified as major contributors to this surge in political progress. The first is the migration of blacks from the rural south to the cities, particularly in the north.*

*Most black officials are elected in areas where blacks represent a significant proportion of the voting population, and the larger black populations have expanded local electoral bases for black office seekers. A second trend that has enhanced black electoral success arises from increasing white support. Incumbent blacks not only win re-election, but often receive more white vote than at their first election.*

*Not only has black representation in all levels of government had numerous benefits for the black race, but black officials are as equally competent as their white counterparts in carrying out their official duties. Being black therefore should not be a barrier to electoral progress. But the inequality in political representation raises some questions on the issue.*

*The positive effects that blacks as officials have realized for the black race are numerous, and these benefits are evidence in the themselves of black success in their respective positions. One must be aware that black elected officials have broken barriers in states with significantly low black populations, and also in states which have had a traditional racist history.*

*It would seem that an overall effort to increase the number of black officials cannot be made only by the stimulation of black awareness, human interest groups, or by well-funded campaigns. These efforts, though recognized as significant steps, must be accompanied by fighting for fundamental human rights of equal and improved educational and job opportunities in those regions where blacks' efforts have had to be concentrated on the basic need for survival, rather than on political awareness. This will contribute to bringing forth black talent in the political foreground, thus making potential officials more visible and familiar to a wider cross-section of the electorate.*



## Legacy: My South

*What desperate nightmare rapt me to this land  
Lit by a bloody moon, red on the hills,  
Red in the valley? Why am I compelled  
To tread again where buried feet have trod,  
To shed my tears where blood and tears have flowed?  
Compulsion of the blood and of the moon  
Transports me. I was molded from this clay.  
My blood must ransom all the blood shed here,  
My tears redeem the tears. Cripples and monsters  
Are here. My flesh must make them whole and hale.  
I am the sacrifice.*

*See where the halt  
Attempt again and again to cross a line  
Their minds have drawn, but fear snatches them back  
Though health and joy wait on the other side.  
And there another locks himself in a room  
And throws away the key. A ragged scarecrow  
Cackles an antique lay, and cries himself  
Lord of the world. A naked plowman falls  
Famished upon the plow, and overhead  
A lean bird circles.*

*-Dudley Randal*